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**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2010, ON PAGE 142.]**

SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS MORNING'S MEETING. OUR MEETING THIS MORNING WILL BE LED IN INVOCATION BY PRIEST MIKE OLSEN OF ST. CROSS-BY-THE-SEA EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND OUR PLEDGE THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY ROBERT SAXON WHO IS CHIEF OF OUR VETERANS' SERVICES DIVISION. WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE STAND.

PRIEST MIKE OLSEN: GOOD MORNING, WOULD YOU JOIN ME IN PRAYER, PLEASE. OH GOD OF OUR MANY UNDERSTANDINGS, WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR YOUR SERVANTS WHO HAVE SACRIFICED SO MUCH TO SERVE OUR COUNTY AS SUPERVISORS AND FOR THE STAFFS WHO SUPPORT THEM SO DILIGENTLY. GIVE THEM WISDOM TO CONFRONT THE DIFFICULT ISSUES WHICH FACE OUR COMMUNITIES. HELP THEM TO LEAD US TO MAKE THE PERSONAL AND COMMON SACRIFICES NECESSARY TO MEET THE CHALLENGES AHEAD. GIVE THEM STRENGTH TO STAND UP FOR WHAT IS RIGHT. GUIDE THEM TO SOLUTIONS WHICH SERVE THE GREATER GOOD. GIVE THEM COMPASSION TO AID THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING, REMEMBERING THAT EVERY RELIGION JUDGES US BY THE WAY WE CARE FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE. GIVE THEM AN UNDERSTANDING AND A WILLINGNESS TO LISTEN TO EACH OTHER AND THEIR CONSTITUENTS



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1 WITH OPEN MINDS AND OPEN HEARTS. HELP US ALL TO REMEMBER THAT
2 POLITICS WHICH DIVIDE BRING NOT SOLUTIONS BUT STRIFE TO OUR
3 COMMUNITIES. HOLD THEM IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND THAT THEY MAY
4 DO THE WORK WE HAVE CALLED THEM TO DO, THAT THEY MAY FIND JOY
5 IN THEIR TASKS AND THAT IN THE END, THEY MAY LEAD US INTO A
6 TIME OF PEACE, INTEGRITY AND PROSPERITY. AMEN.

7

8 **ROBERT SAXON:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND FOLLOW ME IN THE PLEDGE
9 OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S MY
14 PRIVILEGE TO SAY THANK YOU AND TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF
15 APPRECIATION TO THE REVEREND MIKE OLSEN FROM ST. CROSS-BY-THE-
16 SEA EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN HERMOSA BEACH, PROBABLY ONE OF THE
17 MOST BEAUTIFUL VIEWS OF ANY CHURCH THAT I'VE EVER BEEN TO.

18

19 **PRIEST MIKE OLSEN:** AMEN.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** AMEN IS RIGHT. REVEREND OLSEN IS A RETIRED UNITED
22 STATES ARMY COLONEL WHO SERVED TWO TOURS IN VIETNAM FLYING
23 MEDICAL EVACUATION HELICOPTERS AND VARIOUS OTHER ASSIGNMENTS
24 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. AFTER LEAVING THE ARMY, HE JOINED
25 C.S.C., COMPUTER SCIENCE CORPORATION, AND PROVIDED CONTACT



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1 SUPPORT TO N.A.S.A. AND THE J.P.L. UNTIL 2007. REVEREND OLSEN
2 GRADUATED FROM THE CHURCH DIVINITY SCHOOL OF THE PACIFIC IN
3 2008 AND WAS ORDAINED AN EPISCOPAL PRIEST BEFORE JOINING ST.
4 CROSS-BY-THE-SEA AS A SENIOR ASSOCIATE PASTOR AND ALSO SERVES
5 AS CHAPLAIN TO THE HERMOSA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT. ST. CROSS-
6 BY-THE-SEA IS PART OF THE LARGER EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF LOS
7 ANGELES BUT IS ALSO UNIQUELY ROOTED IN ITS LOCATION IN HERMOSA
8 BEACH, WHERE IT IS LOCATED JUST TWO BLOCKS FROM THE BEACH. IN
9 FACT, WHEN NOT PERFORMING THEIR TRADITIONAL MINISTRIES AND
10 HELP FOR THE NEEDY, WHICH THEY DO SO WELL DOWN THERE, SEVERAL
11 MEMBERS OF THE CLERGY AT ST. CROSS CAN BE FOUND SURFING ALONG
12 WITH THEIR PARISHIONERS WHEN THE WAVES ARE GOOD. AND THEY ALSO
13 HAVE WONDERFUL-- THEY'RE A WONDERFUL COLOR, BUT SOMETIMES THEY
14 GET TO WEAR AN ALOHA SHIRT DOWN THERE. SO THEY ARE MEN OF GOD
15 AND WOMEN OF GOD AND WE JUST APPRECIATE ALL THAT THEY DO. SO
16 ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND COLLEAGUES AND THE RESIDENTS OF LOS
17 ANGELES COUNTY, WE WANT TO PRESENT THIS CERTIFICATE OF
18 APPRECIATION TO THE REVEREND MIKE OLSEN. [APPLAUSE.]

19
20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO CALL ON OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER
21 TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

22
23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
24 BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE
25 MEETING. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND 2-D.



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1 ON ITEM NO. 1-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
2 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ITEM 2-D IS BEFORE YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THAT ITEM, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
5 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
6 SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
9 AUTHORITY. ON ITEM 1-H, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
10 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE WILL HOLD THAT ITEM.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 6, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1
15 THROUGH 6. ON ITEM NO. 2, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS
16 THAT THIS ITEM BE MOVED INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO
17 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
18 NEGOTIATORS. ON ITEM NO. 3, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
19 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM?

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. 3. ON ITEM NO. 4, THERE'S A REQUEST
24 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NO.



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1 5, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
2 ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME HOLD 2 BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE WE CAN
5 DISCUSS THIS IN PUBLIC SESSION, AS WELL. I WANT TO HOLD BACK
6 2.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 2. I APOLOGIZE ON ITEM NO. 2,
9 THERE'S ALSO REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THAT ITEM.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SO THE ONLY ITEM BEFORE US ON
12 THOSE TWO IS ITEM 1 AND 6. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
13 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
14 SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 9, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 7
17 THROUGH 38. ON ITEM NO. 11, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS
18 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 14, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
19 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 27, AS
20 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE FIRE CHIEF REQUESTS
21 THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** 27?

24



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 27. ON ITEM NO. 32, AS INDICATED ON THE
2 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
3 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 9TH, 2010. AND
4 ON ITEM NO. 37, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
5 VOTE NO ON THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
6 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY
9 SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF
10 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY, SO ON 37, WE WILL HOLD THAT ITEM.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 22, DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 39,
17 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
18 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 14TH,
19 2010. YES. EXCUSE ME. ITEM NO. 39, THE DISCUSSION ITEM. ON
20 PAGE 23, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE
21 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS
22 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 40-A?

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
25 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 40-B.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THAT ITEM. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
5 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO
6 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 40-C.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THAT ITEM MOVED BY MYSELF, SECONDED BY
11 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 40-D.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
16 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
17 ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 40-E.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND 40-E, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
22 THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO
23 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 40-F.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.
3 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
4 SO ORDERED.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 40-G. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
7 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO ACTUALLY, IF I CAN JUST READ IN.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON 40-G?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, IT'S JUST A TECHNICAL-- ADD THE
14 FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO THE RESOLVE "AND AUTHORIZE THE C.E.O. TO
15 EXECUTE A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE VENICE FAMILY CLINIC."

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MOVE IT.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED
22 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 40-H.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED
2 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND 40-I.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED ON THAT ITEM, MOVED BY MYSELF.
7 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
8 ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
12 DISTRICT NO. 5.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MICHAEL, YOUR PRESENTATIONS. OH. DO YOU
15 MIND IF I DO THE L.A. COUNTY STARS FIRST? ALL RIGHT. THANK
16 YOU. TODAY WE'RE RECOGNIZING TWO OF OUR OCTOBER COUNTY STAR
17 TEAM WINNERS IN THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND
18 ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. OUR FIRST TEAM IS LED BY OUR
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SACHI HAMAI AND THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT I
20 COMPLAIN PRETTY REGULARLY ABOUT HAVING TO DO THESE
21 PRESENTATIONS, WHICH ARE SOMETIMES SO MANY. BUT AT THE END OF
22 THE DAY, THESE ARE THE FOLKS IN OUR COUNTY THAT DO SOME VERY
23 OUTSTANDING WORK AND REALLY DESIRE THE KIND OF RECOGNIZE THAT
24 WE PROVIDE THEM AT THESE TIMES. I REMEMBER WHEN I FIRST CAME
25 HERE, AND IT SEEMS ALMOST 18 YEARS AGO, THEY USED TO DELIVER



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1 THE AGENDA AND IT CAME IN TWO XEROXED BOXES. AND IT WAS ALL
2 THE COPIES OF ALL OF THE BOARD LETTERS AND SOMETIMES IT HAD
3 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WAS ATTACHED. BUT IT'S USUALLY
4 WHAT YOU NEEDED IN ORDER TO MAKE DECISIONS ON THE BOARD. AND
5 WE STARTED GOING THROUGH IT. AND SOMETIMES IF YOU ASKED FOR A
6 COPY OF A CONTRACT, THEN THEY WOULD GIVE YOU TWO MORE BOXES
7 THAT YOU COULD GO THROUGH AND READ. I HAVE TO SHARE WITH YOU
8 THAT IT HAS BEEN THIS TEAM WHO HAS PUT TOGETHER THE ELECTRONIC
9 BOARD FILING SYSTEM THROUGHOUT ALL OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.
10 THEY REALLY DESERVE RECOGNITION FOR IT BECAUSE PRIOR TO THAT,
11 IT WAS EXACTLY THAT, THE DELIVERY OF HUGE BOXES THAT HAD PAGES
12 AND PAGES OF ALL OF THE INFORMATION THAT WE NEEDED, AND
13 SOMETIMES WE NEEDED MORE AND BROUGHT MORE BOXES. SO NOW THEY
14 ATTACH SCANNED DIGITAL IMAGE OF ALL OF THESE BOARD LETTERS
15 THAT ARE SENT TO OUR OFFICE ELECTRONICALLY. AS A RESULT, THE
16 PAPER CONSUMPTION HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED AND STAFF
17 PRODUCTIVITY, OF COURSE, HAS INCREASED, AS WELL. SO IT NO
18 LONGER TAKES SEVERAL HOURS TO TURN THESE BOARD LETTERS AROUND.
19 ALSO, THE DEVELOPMENT, TESTING AND IMPLEMENTATION AS WELL AS
20 THE TRAINING OF COUNTY STAFF WAS CONDUCTED ENTIRELY BY THE
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICE. NO OUTSIDE CONTRACTS. ALL OF THESE PEOPLE
22 GOT TOGETHER AND DID THAT, AND WE DIDN'T HAVE TO HIRE
23 CONSULTANTS, WHICH IS VERY NORMAL AROUND HERE. SO WE WANT TO
24 APPLAUD SACHI AND HER WHOLE TEAM, WHAT AN EFFECTIVE JOB. THEY
25 REALLY DESERVE OUR RECOGNITION. WOULD YOU PLEASE GIVE THEM A



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1 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] (CHEERS). AND THEY HAVE THEIR
2 IS CERTIFICATES, BUT I WILL ASK SACHI TO COME UP AND SAY A FEW
3 WORDS.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK
6 YOU FOR THIS RECOGNITION TODAY. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THIS
7 PROJECT WAS TRULY A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BETWEEN SEVERAL OF
8 OUR DIVISIONS AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE
9 HAVE NOT ONLY DEVELOPED THE ELECTRONIC SYSTEM, BUT WE'VE SAVED
10 THE COUNTY OVER \$500,000 IN DOING THIS EFFORT. SO I JUST WANT
11 TO COMMEND MY ENTIRE TEAM. THEY DID A GREAT JOB. AND I'M SO
12 PROUD OF THEM. AND THANK ALL THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FOR THEIR
13 ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS WE HAVE ANOTHER TEAM
16 THAT'S GOING TO JOIN US. THIS IS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
17 HEALTH. AND I'M GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE DR. FIELDING SHARE WITH
18 ME EXACTLY HOW THIS ALL WORKS. BUT, ANYWAY, WE WANT TO WELCOME
19 DR. FIELDING AND HIS TEAM. THIS IS A WORKING GROUP WHICH WORKS
20 TO REDUCE THE RISK OF SALMONELLA INFECTION FROM EXPOSURE TO
21 REPTILES, ESPECIALLY BABY TURTLES. INTERESTING. THIS DEDICATED
22 GROUP IS COMPRISED OF VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM NURSES,
23 HEALTH EDUCATORS, PHYSICIANS, VETERINARIANS AND RESEARCH
24 ANALYSTS. BABY TURTLES, AS WE ALL KNOW, ARE POPULAR PETS IN
25 CHILDCARE SETTINGS, YET THE RISK OF SALMONELLA EXPOSURE FROM



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1 THESE PETS IS NOT WIDELY KNOWN. THIS IS THE FIRST WORKING
2 GROUP TO ADDRESS THIS PREVENTABLE, YET POTENTIALLY SERIOUS
3 INFECTIOUS DISEASE. IN FACT, OUR COUNTY HAS A HIGHER REPORTED
4 RATE THAN ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. THE GROUP PARTNERS WITH
5 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND COUNTY PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE
6 OFFICE OF CHILDCARE AND THE OFFICE OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP
7 INNOVATIVE, MULTILINGUAL HEALTH EDUCATION MATERIALS. MORE
8 IMPORTANTLY, EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROVIDERS AND PARENTS
9 ARE EDUCATED ABOUT THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE, AS WELL. THE WORKING
10 GROUP CONDUCTS OUTREACH AND TRAINING TO THOUSANDS OF PARENTS
11 AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN VENUES SUCH AS OUR COUNTY FAIR. IN
12 FACT, THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED COLLABORATIONS WITH OVER 26
13 ORGANIZATIONS. WE APPLAUD THIS WORKING GROUP, WITH ITS
14 ATTITUDE, A REAL CAN-DO ATTITUDE, ITS LEADERSHIP AND OF COURSE
15 ITS ACCOUNTABILITY. WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE DR. FIELDING AND
16 HIS TEAM FOR BEING OUR OCTOBER COUNTY STARS. CONGRATULATIONS,
17 ALL OF YOU. [APPLAUSE.] I'M GOING TO ASK DR. FIELDING TO COME
18 UP AND SHARE A FEW WORDS ABOUT HIS TEAM, PLEASE.

19

20 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR.
21 WELL, MOST PEOPLE THINK OF THESE LITTLE PETS AS CUDDLY, CUTE,
22 FUN; BUT THEY UNFORTUNATELY ARE VERY FREQUENTLY THE
23 TRANSMITTERS OF A VERY SERIOUS INFECTION, SALMONELLA,
24 PARTICULARLY SERIOUS FOR VERY YOUNG CHILDREN. SO THIS KIND OF
25 COLLABORATION THE BOARD HAS CHAMPIONED HAS BEEN CRITICAL IN



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1 DEALING WITH OUR OFFICE OF CHILDCARE, DEALING WITH THE OFFICE
2 OF EDUCATION, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, OTHER EARLY
3 CHILDHOOD CARE PROVIDERS AND EARLY CHILDHOOD PROVIDERS HAS
4 BEEN ESSENTIAL. AND THIS AS, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SAID, THE CAN-
5 DO TEAM. THEY'RE EVERYWHERE. EVERYWHERE I GO I SEE THEM, AND
6 WITH GREAT FERVOR AND WITH A GREAT APPROACH TO HEALTH
7 EDUCATION, WHICH IS SAYING: "DO YOU KNOW WHAT? THESE MAY BE
8 NICE THINGS, BUT THEY'RE NOT GREAT FOR YOUR VERY YOUNG
9 CHILDREN. BE AWARE OF THAT." AND I THINK THEY'VE DONE A GREAT
10 SERVICE. AND WE EXPECT TO SEE A REDUCTION IN THE RATE OF
11 SALMONELLOSIS FROM THESE BASED ON THEIR WONDERFUL EFFORTS. SO
12 I WANT TO THANK DR. ROBERT KIM-FARLEY, DR. LAURENE MASCOLA FOR
13 THEIR VERY STRONG SUPPORT OF THIS, AND KNOW THAT THIS IS ONLY
14 ONE OF MANY ACTIVITIES THAT WE THINK NEED TO BE SHOWCASED TO
15 TRY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
16 [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AGAIN, CONGRATULATIONS. SUPERVISOR
19 ANTONOVICH, YOUR PRESENTATIONS.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A SPECIAL DAY FOR ME BECAUSE WE HAVE
22 AN INDIVIDUAL HERE WHO'S JUST OBTAINED THE RANK LIEUTENANT
23 COLONEL IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AND I'VE BEEN ASKED TO
24 PIN COLONEL TIM YOSHINAGA WITH HIS SILVER LEAFS. AND THAT'S
25 THE SON OF GEORGE AND SUSIE YOSHINAGA AND GEORGE,



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1 AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS HORSE, IS A COLUMNIST FOR THE RAFU
2 SHIMPO JAPANESE AMERICAN NEWSPAPER, ALSO A FORMER SPORTS
3 EDITOR, SPORTS WRITER. NOW, TIM HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF THE
4 UNITED STATES AIR FORCE FOR THE PAST 24 YEARS. HE WAS ONE OF
5 THE FIRST JAPANESE AMERICANS WHO GRADUATED FROM THE UNITED
6 STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY. AND UPON GRADUATION AROUND-- HE HAS
7 BEEN STATIONED ALL AROUND THE WORLD, FROM SAUDI ARABIA TO
8 JAPAN. HE CURRENTLY IS STATIONED AT THE LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE
9 BASE IN TORRANCE. THEY'RE INVOLVED WITH ALL OF THE SATELLITE
10 INTELLIGENCE FOR AROUND THE WORLD AND OUR GROUND TROOPS AND
11 AIR SUPPORT AROUND THE WORLD AND THE CONFLICTS THAT WE
12 CURRENTLY ARE ENGAGED IN. WHILE STATIONED AT THE BASE, HE
13 ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AT NIGHT AND
14 RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING. SO,
15 TIM, IT'S A GREAT PLEASURE TO SWEAR YOU IN AS LIEUTENANT
16 COLONEL AND CONFER UPON YOU THE RANK. AND LET ME GIVE YOU THE
17 OATH AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND AND SAY I AND STATE YOUR NAME.

18

19 **TIM YOSHINAGA:** I, KEN YOSHINAGA, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR THAT I WILL
20 SUPPORT AND DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES
21 AGAINST ALL ENEMIES, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC, THAT I WILL BEAR
22 TRUE FAITH AND ALLEGIANCE TO THE SAME; THAT I WILL TAKE THIS
23 OBLIGATION FREELY, WITHOUT ANY MENTAL RESERVATION OR PURPOSE
24 OF EVASION, AND THAT I WILL WELL AND FAITHFULLY DISCHARGE THE



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1 DUTIES OF THE OFFICE UPON WHICH I AM ABOUT TO ENTER, SO HELP
2 ME GOD.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH; AND THERE'S HIS WIFE AND HIS BEAUTIFUL**
5 **DAUGHTER. [APPLAUSE.]**

6

7 **>>TIM YOSHINAGA:** ALL I WANT TO SAY IS THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
8 ANTONOVICH, AND THE ENTIRE BOARD. IT'S A GREAT PLEASURE TO
9 HAVE THIS OCCASION HERE IN THIS GREAT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
10 AND IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO SERVE MY COUNTRY. THANK YOU ALL.
11 [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW FROM A.T.&T. IS MIKE SOLANI AND DAN
14 RIVETTO WHO ARE HERE TO PRESENT A CHECK TO YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES
15 UNITED IN SUPPORT OF THE HOLIDAY PARTY FOR FOSTER YOUTH THAT I
16 DO EACH YEAR AT MAGIC MOUNTAIN FOR CHRISTMAS. THE CONTRIBUTION
17 IS IN SUPPORT OF ALL FOR THE LOVE OF CHILDREN. AND WE JUST
18 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THAT EFFORT.

19

20 **MIKE SOLANI:** SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ON BEHALF OF
21 A.T.&T., IT'S OUR PLEASURE TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT L.A. COUNTY
22 FOSTER YOUTH. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST YEAR, BUT IT'S DEFINITELY
23 IN KEEPING WITH OUR DIRECTION OF SUPPORTING YOUTH AND GIVING
24 THEM OPPORTUNITIES TO NOT ONLY GET OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL BUT TO
25 HAVE A BETTER LIFE, EITHER GO TO COLLEGE OR ENTER THE



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1 WORKFORCE. SO, AGAIN, SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE ONCE AGAIN
5 WITH US EACH YEAR THE STAFF AND PARTICIPANTS FROM PATHPOINT.
6 THEY ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE "DISABILITY MENTORING DAY."
7 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND I WERE AT THE COUNTY'S
8 DISABILITY LUNCHEON YESTERDAY FOR THE COMMISSION WHERE WE WERE
9 HONORED, AND EACH OF THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS HAD HONOREES
10 FOR THAT EVENT. ESTABLISHED IN 1964, PATHPOINT IS A NATIONALLY
11 RECOGNIZED AND ACCREDITED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION TO HELP THOSE
12 WITH DISABILITIES OR DISADVANTAGES SO THAT THEY CAN REACH
13 THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. PATHPOINT SERVES OVER 2,000 PEOPLE EACH
14 YEAR IN THE FIVE COUNTIES OF LOS ANGELES, VENTURA, SANTA
15 BARBARA, SAN [LUIS] OBISPO AND KERN. EARLIER THIS YEAR THEY
16 WERE AWARDED THE BEST MANAGED NOT-FOR-PROFIT BY THE SAN
17 FERNANDO VALLEY BUSINESS JOURNAL. TODAY'S JOB SHADOWING EVENT
18 IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROMOTE A MORE INCLUSIVE WORKFORCE AND TO
19 HELP DISPEL EMPLOYEES' FEARS ABOUT HIRING INDIVIDUALS WITH
20 DISABILITIES. SO AT THIS TIME WE HAVE ADAM STOCKDALE. LET ME
21 GIVE ADAM A PROCLAMATION. ADAM, CONGRATULATIONS. OKAY, I'M
22 GOING TO ONE-- WE'VE GOT A NUMBER HERE. AND ESTHER HU. AND
23 JEFFREY ADLER. AND THE STAFF FOR THE PATHPOINT IS MASON PRIMO,
24 WHO IS THE DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL WHO DOES THE GREAT
25 LEADERSHIP AND DIRECTION FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. SO, MASON?



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2 **MASON PRIMO:** ON BEHALF OF PATHPOINT AND ALL INDIVIDUALS WITH
3 DISABILITIES, WE JUST WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR THIS
4 HONOR. AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BILLY JONES IS DOING A GREAT JOB FOR US.
7 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO WAIT FOR OUR ONE PRESENTATION FOR THE
8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, UNITED PEACE OFFICERS AGAINST CRIME
9 PRESENTATION BECAUSE THEY'RE CAUGHT IN A LITTLE BIT OF
10 TRAFFIC, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE ONE-- ARE WE READY FOR THAT? ARE YOU
11 ALL HERE? OKAY. THIS IS ONE OF THE GREAT MEMBERS OF OUR
12 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THIS WAS FOUNDED BACK IN 1988 BY
13 SERGEANT ANTHONY CAMPBELL AND A GROUP OF OUR LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY SHERIFF DEPUTIES WITH SPECIAL PERMISSION FROM THEIR
15 SHERIFF'S OFFICE. COME ON UP, ANTHONY. THE UNITED PEACE
16 OFFICERS AGAINST CRIME IS AN ALL-VOLUNTEER, NONPROFIT
17 ORGANIZATION. AND THEIR GOAL IS TO REDUCE VIOLENCE AMONG YOUTH
18 AND TO PROVIDE THEM WITH THE TOOLS TO BE SUCCESSFUL WITH
19 POSITIVE ROLE MODELS TO HELP THEM. THEIR VISION OF TEAMWORK IS
20 TO BRING ABOUT SOCIAL CHANGE MANIFESTED IN THE ORGANIZATION'S
21 STRONG COLLABORATION BETWEEN VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS,
22 SPECIFICALLY THEY WORK WITH OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OF CHILDREN
23 AND FAMILY SERVICES, PROBATION, MENTAL HEALTH AND COALITION
24 FOR AT-RISK YOUTH, C.A.R.Y. THE PROGRAM HAS ALSO BEEN
25 SUPPORTED BY EACH OF OUR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AS WELL AS BY



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1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, LEE BACA. UNDER
2 LEE BACA'S GUIDANCE AND LEADERSHIP, THE HARD WORK OF THESE MEN
3 AND WOMEN BEHIND ME HAVE CONTINUED TO CHANGE THE LIVES MUCH
4 YOUNG PEOPLE. AND ANTHONY, YOU'RE REPRESENTING ALL THE PEOPLE
5 BEHIND US, RIGHT?

6

7 **SGT. ANTONY CAMPBELL:** YES. THEY'RE COMING.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SOME ARE IN THE RAIN AND ALL THAT, BUT SOME
10 ARE COMING UP RIGHT NOW. HERE THEY COME. BUT THESE ARE THE
11 ROLE MODELS FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. AND, ANTHONY, I'VE WORKED
12 WITH IN MY DISTRICT, DEPUTIES THAT WORKED WITH ANTHONY WITHIN
13 THE COMMUNITY AND EACH OF THE AREAS THAT I REPRESENT. AND I
14 APPRECIATE HIS HANDS-ON, PLUS HIS ABILITY TO STEP FORWARD AND
15 PROVIDE LEADERSHIP IN A VOID THAT HAD EXISTED, AND WE
16 APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE HE HAS HELPED SAVE A LOT OF YOUNG
17 PEOPLE. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT. SAY A
18 COUPLE WORDS.

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20 **SGT. ANTHONY CAMPBELL:** APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH. AND LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I JUST WANT TO MAKE THIS
22 VERY BRIEF AND VERY SHORT. IT'S A COLLABORATION BETWEEN, LIKE
23 THE SUPERVISOR SAID, SEVERAL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES.
24 EVERYONE IN HERE SHOULD REALIZE, WE HEAR ABOUT THE TRAGEDIES
25 AND THE INCIDENTS WHERE MANY OF OUR MINORS AND YOUTHS ARE



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1 SUBJECT TO TRAGEDIES EVERY DAY IN OUR COMMUNITY. BUT WITHOUT
2 TEAMWORK, COLLABORATION AND THE ONE THING I TELL OUR FOLKS IN
3 OUR PROGRAM AND OUR ORGANIZATION, WE CHECK OUR EGOS AT THE
4 DOOR. WE SHOULD PUT THE CHILDREN OF OUR COMMUNITY FIRST, AND
5 THAT'S WHAT WE DO. AND ONCE YOU TAKE THAT VISION AND ONCE YOU
6 TAKE THAT GUIDANCE, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL SUCCEED. AND IT'S NOT
7 ONLY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WHO SUPPORTS US BUT EACH OF THE
8 SUPERVISORS. FROM THE SECOND, THE THIRD, THE FOURTH AND THE
9 FIFTH AND THE FIRST DISTRICT SUPPORT WHAT WE DO. AND IF YOU
10 GUYS WILL JUST JOIN ME JUST FOR A MOMENT AND JUST GIVE THEM A
11 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] BECAUSE NOT ONLY DO OUR
12 SUPERVISORS, BUT THEIR STAFF WORK HAND-IN-HAND WITH US. CARL
13 GALLUCCI ANA PANASIAN, VICKI SANCHEZ. JOE CHARNY, THERE'S JUST
14 SO MANY OF THEM THAT WORK SO CLOSELY WITH US. DONNA FROM OUT
15 OF MARK RIDLEY'S OFFICE, DOREEN, I'M SORRY, DOREEN OUT OF MARK
16 RIDLEY'S OFFICE. SO WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORT, WE CAN'T GET
17 ANYTHING DONE. BUT WHEN WE SEE THESE CHILDREN LEAVE WHAT WE DO
18 AND GO ON AND LEAD A BETTER LIFE IN THEIR FUTURE, IT MAKES IT
19 ALL WORTHWHILE. WITH OUR SHERIFF, MR. BACA, WHO SUPPORTS ALL
20 OF OUR EFFORTS. AND MR. ANTONOVICH, HE MET MR. BLOCK. HE ALSO
21 SUPPORTED OUR EFFORTS. THAT'S HOW LONG WE'VE BEEN AROUND,
22 SINCE 1988. SO WE'RE NOT A NEW PROGRAM. AND SO I JUST WANT THE
23 THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, MOLINA, RIDLEY-THOMAS, DON KNABE
24 AND ALL JUST FOR SUPPORTING OUR EFFORTS. THANK YOU,
25 SUPERVISORS. [APPLAUSE.]



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SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE TERRIER WHO'S TWO YEARS OLD. HER NAME IS BELLA. ANOTHER ONE THAT LOOKS LIKE A MOVIE STAR. THIS IS BELLA. SHE'S TWO YEARS OLD. SHE IS A LITTLE TERRIER MIX LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE OR WATCHING ON TELEVISION CAN CALL 562-728-4644. I SEE A HAND IN THE AUDIENCE. AND IF YOU'RE INTERESTED, COME OVER AND TALK TO THE DEPUTY OR MYSELF. [APPLAUSE.] HEY, FELLAH, I GOT TWO HANDS. BELLA SAYS SHE HAS SOME COUSINS, TOO, SO YOU ALL WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED. THIS IS LITTLE BELLA. SMILE AT GLORIA BECAUSE SHE'S GOING AWAY RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU.

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SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION?

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YES. OKAY. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. IT GIVES ME A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE TO PRESENT SOME AWARDS THIS MORNING FOR THE COUNTY-WIDE FITNESS CHALLENGE. IT WAS A FIVE-MONTH WELLNESS CAMPAIGN FROM JUNE TO OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR. THEY AIM TO UNDERScore THE IMPORTANCE OF WELLNESS, HEALTH AND REDUCING THE INCIDENCE OF ILLNESS BY ADVOCATING HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CHOICES. THOUSANDS OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES PARTICIPATED IN THREE MAJOR COMPONENTS LEADING TO HEALTHIER LIFESTYLES FIRST, A BIGGEST LOSER WEIGHT LOSS CAMPAIGN RESULTING IN 11.5 TONS OF LOST WEIGHT THROUGHOUT THE

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1 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. NO. 2, WAS A START WALKING CAMPAIGN, THE
2 AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION'S WALKING PROGRAM. SHHH. AND,
3 THIRD, THERE WERE EVENTS DESIGNED TO GET EMPLOYEES OUT AND
4 EXERCISING AT LOCAL PARKS IN EACH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. THE
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTS TO COMMEND THE FOLLOWING
6 ORGANIZATIONS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP AND COMMITMENT TO MAKING
7 THE COUNTY-WIDE FITNESS CHALLENGE AVAILABLE TO ALL COUNTY
8 EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES. FIRST, THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
9 RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, OUR COUNTY
10 SPONSORED HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS, ANTHEM BLUE CROSS, SIGNA,
11 KAISER PERMANENTE, UNITED HEALTHCARE, PACIFIC CARE. FOURTH,
12 THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY,
13 THE COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS AND S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. ALL OF
14 THEM HELPED MAKE THIS CAMPAIGN A SUCCESS. GIVE THEM ALL A
15 HAND. [APPLAUSE.] AT THIS POINT I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE
16 COUNTYWIDE FITNESS CHALLENGE BIGGEST LOSER TOP THREE
17 DEPARTMENTAL WINNERS. THE THIRD PLACE COUNTYWIDE BIGGEST LOSER
18 WINNER IS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. THE C.E.O. PARTICIPANTS LOST
19 3.3 PERCENT OF THEIR TOTAL BODY WEIGHT. [APPLAUSE.]
20 [LAUGHTER.] EVERYBODY EXCEPT FOR FUJIOKA WHO GAINED 1.2
21 PERCENT OF HIS BODY WEIGHT. [LAUGHTER.]
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23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** RIGHT HERE.
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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT HAPPENED TO THE LIGHTS? OH I SEE
2 THEY'RE SHOWING SOME STUFF. SECOND PLACE GOES TO THE
3 DEPARTMENT OF THE CORONER WHO WHOSE PARTICIPANT GROUP LOST 3.4
4 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL BODY WEIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] AND, FINALLY,
5 THE FIRST PLACE BIGGEST LOSER WINNER, THE PROCLAMATION AND A
6 TROPHY, WHICH WILL BE AWARDED TO THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC
7 DEFENDER'S OFFICE WHOSE PARTICIPANTS LOST 4.4 PERCENT OF THEIR
8 TOTAL BODY WEIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] YEAH, THIS IS A NICE LITTLE
9 TROPHY HERE. PRESENTED TO THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND
10 YOU'RE THE FIRST ANNUAL WINNER. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF YEARS TO
11 GO. SO EVERY DEPARTMENT HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET THEIR NAME
12 ON THIS TROPHY OVER THE YEARS AHEAD. CONGRATULATIONS.
13 [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME ASK, MADAME CHAIR, IF I CAN, BEFORE
18 WE GO, LISA GARRETT WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS ON BEHALF OF
19 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND INTRODUCE A FEW PEOPLE.

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21 **LISA GARRETT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I'D LIKE THE REST OF OUR
22 GROUP THAT DID NOT COME UP JUST TO COME UP FOR A PHOTO OP. I
23 WANT TO START BY THANKS SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY FOR
24 VOLUNTEERING TO BE THE CHAMPION FOR THE COUNTYWIDE FITNESS
25 CHALLENGE FOR THIS YEAR. [APPLAUSE.] I ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR



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1 BOARD AND OUR C.E.O. BILL FUJIOKA FOR MAKING EMPLOYEE WELLNESS
2 A HIGH PRIORITY FOR OUR COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.] THANKS ALSO GO TO
3 OUR COUNTY MANAGERS AND EMPLOYEES FOR ACCEPTING THE CALL AND
4 MAKING THE COUNTY'S FITNESS CHALLENGE A HUGE SUCCESS, AND I
5 CAN'T UNDERSCORE THAT, A HUGE SUCCESS. WHEN I FIRST VIEWED THE
6 HEALTH STATISTICS FOR OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES, IT BECAME
7 PAINFULLY OBVIOUS THAT WE REALLY NEEDED TO PURSUE WELLNESS
8 WITH A SENSE OF URGENCY. AND WE DID THAT WITH THIS COUNTYWIDE
9 FITNESS CHALLENGE. OUR PURSUIT TO FIND COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS
10 IN THIS EVENT, THEY HELPED US CARRY THE TORCH THE ENTIRE WAY
11 AND TO DEAL WITH LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND BUILD A
12 PROGRAM THAT WAS REALLY FITTING TO THIS GREAT COUNTY. WE KNEW
13 WE NEEDED TO MAKE THE PROGRAM SO EXCITING THAT ALL OF THE
14 COUNTY EMPLOYEES WOULD WILLINGLY MAKE THE NECESSARY CHANGES TO
15 IN THEIR LIFESTYLE TO BECOME HEALTHIER. AND OUR PARTNERS, MANY
16 OF WHICH ARE STANDING BEHIND ME TODAY, ARE PARTNERS IN
17 COLLABORATION. FIRST, I HAVE RUSS GUINEY OF PARKS AND
18 RECREATION AND HIS STAFF. [APPLAUSE.] RUSS AND I GOT TOGETHER.
19 I SAID, "RUSS, WE REALLY NEED TO GET FIT AND HOW CAN WE DO
20 THAT AT OUR BEAUTIFUL PARKS?" WE HAVE 145 PARKS AROUND THE
21 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND THEY STEPPED UP TO HELP US PLAN AND
22 CO-HOST THE EVENTS AT ALL OF OUR-- AT FIVE PARKS ACTUALLY
23 AROUND THE ENTIRE COUNTY IN EACH OF THE SUPERVISORIAL
24 DISTRICTS. AND I NEXT HAVE TO THANK OUR OTHER COUNTY PARTNERS.
25 THESE DEPARTMENTS REALLY STEPPED FORWARD AND HAD GREAT



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1 PARTICIPATION. THEY STAFFED BOOTHS, ET CETERA, AT MANY OF OUR
2 EVENTS. AND THAT IS PROBATION. I THINK DON BLEVINS IS HERE.
3 PROBATION. D.P.S.S. I KNOW CHERYL SPILLER IS HERE. AND PUBLIC
4 HEALTH. THESE ARE OUR COUNTY FAMILIES PARTNERS THAT REALLY HAD
5 GREAT PARTICIPATION THROUGHOUT THE CHALLENGE. GIVE THEM A
6 HAND, IF YOU WILL. [APPLAUSE.] WE JUST HAVE A COUPLE MORE
7 GROUPS COMING. I ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR UNIONS BECAUSE FROM
8 THE VERY BEGINNING, THEY GAVE IDEAS AND INPUT INTO THE FITNESS
9 CHALLENGE. AND SO TODAY, I WANT TO THANK THE COALITION OF
10 COUNTY UNIONS AND S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. [APPLAUSE.] WE HAD SOME
11 OTHER COUNTY PARTNERS. THEY'RE NOW COUNTY PARTNERS IN MY
12 OPINION, ALTHOUGH THEY'RE PRIVATE AGENCIES, THE AMERICAN
13 CANCER SOCIETY AND THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION. THEY
14 DEVOTED COUNTLESS NUMBERS OF STAFF, ONLINE PROGRAMS AND PRIZES
15 FOR EACH OF OUR EVENTS. AND I WANT TO THANK THEM TODAY. I KNOW
16 THEY'RE HERE WITH US. [APPLAUSE.] YES, GO AHEAD AND GIVE THEM
17 A HAND. [APPLAUSE.] AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I HAVE TO THANK
18 OUR FOUR COUNTY-SPONSORED HEALTH CARRIERS: ANTHEM BLUE CROSS,
19 SIGNA, KAISER AND UNITED HEALTH CARE. [APPLAUSE.] TODAY WE
20 HAVE WITH US TWO PRESIDENTS TO SHOW THEIR COMMITMENT. WE HAVE
21 TWO PRESIDENTS OF KAISER HERE TODAY, DR. BEN CHU AND DR.
22 JEFFREY WEISS. [APPLAUSE.] THESE CARRIERS ACTUALLY BECAME PART
23 OF OUR COUNTY FAMILY. THEY CO-SPONSORED EVENTS. THEY CREATED
24 THE PROFESSIONAL POSTERS AND CAMPAIGN MATERIALS. THEY HELPED
25 US ADVERTISE. THEY PROVIDED ONLINE R.S.V.P. SYSTEMS, DONATED



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1 PRIZES FOR OUR BIGGEST LOSER AND THAT GREAT TROPHY THAT YOU
2 SAW THAT WAS BIGGER THAN JANICE, THEY HELPED WITH THAT, ALSO.
3 SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL OF THEM. WE WANT TO
4 THANK THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THESE PARTNERS AND OUR BOARD IN ALL
5 OF OUR COUNTY FAMILIES TO REALLY HELP ELEVATE THE IMPORTANCE
6 OF WELLNESS IN OUR COUNTY. WE SET OUT TO CHANGE THE COUNTY
7 CULTURE CONCERNING FITNESS, AND WE HAVE DONE JUST THAT. GIVE
8 YOURSELVES A HAND. [APPLAUSE.] I AM VERY EXCITED WHAT WE WERE
9 ABLE TO DO THIS YEAR. AND I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO DO EVEN
10 GREATER THINGS FOR NEXT YEAR. WE STARTED A FIRE WITH COUNTY
11 FITNESS CHALLENGE, AND IT WILL NOT BURN OUT. SO I WANT TO SAY
12 THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS. THANK YOU TO ALMOST 10,000
13 EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY THAT PARTICIPATED IN THIS GREAT EVENT.
14 AND THANK YOU TO YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR CHAMPIONING THIS FITNESS
15 CHALLENGE FOR US THIS YEAR. GREAT. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU TO ALL THE
18 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND THE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES WHO MADE THIS
19 SUCH A SUCCESSFUL EFFORT. AND JUST REMEMBER THE CAMPAIGN WAS
20 JULY THROUGH OCTOBER, BUT THE PERSONAL FITNESS GOES ALL YEAR
21 LONG. AND WALK WHEN YOU CAN WALK. WALK UP THE STAIRS, DON'T
22 TAKE THE ESCALATOR. IT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE IF YOU CAN WALK
23 A FEW THOUSAND STEPS MORE A DAY THAN WE CURRENTLY DO. AND I
24 KNOW HOW HARD IT IS BOTH INTELLECTUALLY AND PERSONALLY TO LOSE
25 AND THEN MAINTAIN A REDUCED WEIGHT, BUT IT MAKES ALL THE



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1 DIFFERENCE FOR HEALTH IN SO MANY WAYS, BOTH IMMEDIATE AND LONG
2 TERM HEALTH. AND AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT ALSO REDUCES THE
3 COST OF HEALTH INSURANCE IF WE CAN MAKE THIS A HEALTHIER
4 WORKFORCE AND WE'RE DOING IT. THANK YOU ALLVERY MUCH.

5 [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, DO YOU HAVE PRESENTATIONS

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR SPECIALS?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW ITEM 2'S GOING TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE
12 SESSION, BUT I JUST WANT TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS. BUT FIRST I
13 WANT TO RECOGNIZE THAT A FEW YEARS AGO--

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** COULD YOU HOLD ON FOR A SECOND? COULD I
16 ASK THE FOLKS THAT ARE PLEASE LEAVING TO PLEASE DO IT AS
17 QUIETLY AS POSSIBLE? THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** A FEW YEARS AGO, THE EARLY 2000S, I BELIEVE,
20 IT WAS SUPERVISOR MOLINA FIRST REALLY BROUGHT THIS ISSUE TO
21 THE FOREFRONT. AND THAT'S RELATIVE TO REFORMING THE PENSION
22 SYSTEM AND SOME OF THE ALLEGED ABUSES THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE AND
23 NEEDED REFORMED. AND THAT WAS I BELIEVE IN, WHAT 2002, 2003,
24 SUPERVISOR MOLINA? BUT THE CURRENT PLAN WE HAVE, WHILE WE ARE
25 AHEAD OF THE CURVE WITH A FISCAL MANAGEMENT TO THE



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1 RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE HAVE TO THE TAXPAYERS, OUR RETIREES AND
2 EMPLOYEES IN PROTECTING THEM FROM THE DEADLY PENSION LIABILITY
3 PLAGUE WHICH HAS CRIPPLED OUR LOCAL CITY, LOS ANGELES, AND
4 MANY OF OUR OTHER MUNICIPALITIES, INCLUDING THE STATE. WE DO
5 HAVE TO BE RESPONSIBLE AND UPDATE THE PLANS THAT WE DO HAVE IN
6 ESCALATING THE RATE OF RETIREE HEALTH BENEFITS, COSTS NOW
7 ADMINISTERED BY L.A.C.E.R.A IS GREATER THAN THE AMOUNT SET
8 ASIDE IN THE TRUST FUND THAT HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD
9 OF SUPERVISORS. AND WITHOUT ANY MEANINGFUL REFORMS, THE
10 DEFICIT WILL HAVE A SEVERE IMPACT ON FUTURE RETIREES AND OUR
11 ABILITY TO PROVIDE VITAL SERVICES. SO THOSE TYPES OF REFORMS
12 THAT NEED TO BE DISCUSSED ARE THOSE SIMILAR TO WHAT THE STATE
13 OF CALIFORNIA ARE NOW INCLUDING IN CHANGES TO THE FINAL
14 COMPENSATION PAY RATE, INCREASING THE MINIMUM RETIREMENT AGE
15 FOR NEW EMPLOYEES, INCREASING THE CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT. WHEN
16 ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY, THESE REFORMS COULD RESULT IN A
17 POTENTIAL SAVINGS OF OVER \$200 MILLION ANNUALLY AND ACCORDING
18 TO A REPORT FROM THE C.A.O., IT WAS A CUMULATIVE \$2 BILLION
19 SAVINGS THAT WOULD BE ACCUMULATED IN THE LONG RUN. CHANGING
20 THE-- SO WE HAD DIRECTED THE C.E.O. TO REPORT BACK ON THE
21 PROGRESS ON THE NECESSARY REFORMS THAT ARE BEING RECOMMENDED
22 AND TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH ALL OF OUR COUNTY UNIONS TO
23 MODIFY THE CURRENT PLANS. AS I SAID, CHANGING THE FINAL
24 COMPENSATION FROM HIGHEST AVERAGE FOR ONE YEAR TO THREE YEARS
25 FOR NEW EMPLOYEES, INCREASING EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT



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1 CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CURRENT NEW EMPLOYEES, SO I MIGHT ASK MR.
2 FUJIOKA, WHAT IS THE CURRENT CONTRIBUTION BY THE COUNTY TO
3 L.A.C.E.R.A.?

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5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** GIVE ME A COUPLE OF MINUTES ON THAT, PLEASE.
6 I'M GOING TO ASK STAFF.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND IN THE MEANTIME, I'M GOING TO ASK THE
9 PEOPLE STANDING IN THE BACK, IF THEY'D STEP OUT AND CONTINUE
10 THEIR CONVERSATIONS. IT'S REALLY CREATING A LOT OF NOISE HERE.
11 THANK YOU, OR FIND A PLACE TO SET.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN CHANGING THE FINAL COMPENSATION FOR ONE
14 YEAR TO THREE YEARS FOR NEW EMPLOYEES, IN YOUR REPORT, IT SAYS
15 IF THIS WAS DONE, THE COUNTY WOULD REDUCE THE COUNTY PENSION
16 OBLIGATION BY \$2.3 BILLION, AND IT WOULD BE SAVINGS OF OVER
17 \$100 MILLION ANNUALLY. THAT WAS FROM YOUR REPORT OF SEPTEMBER
18 17TH. WHAT IS THAT CURRENT CONTRIBUTION?

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE GETTING IT RIGHT NOW.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN ANSWER THIS OR THAT
23 IS PREDICATED UPON THE ANSWER THAT IS FORTHCOMING, BUT THE
24 BALANCE CURRENTLY IN THE TRUST FUND SET UP TO PAY FOR



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1 HEALTHCARE, THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY ASSOCIATED WITH RETIREE
2 HEALTHCARE?

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4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WITH RESPECT TO THE CONTRIBUTIONS SLIGHTLY
5 OVER \$800 MILLION A YEAR. OUR EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTE A LITTLE
6 BIT OVER \$400 MILLION A YEAR.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND CURRENTLY IN THE TRUST FUND SET UP TO PAY
9 FOR THE HEALTHCARE, WHAT IS THE BALANCE?

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE A LITTLE OVER \$400 MILLION THAT WE'VE
12 SET ASIDE TO PUT INTO A SPECIAL TRUST FUND FOR OUR RETIREE
13 HEALTHCARE BENEFITS. WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF FINALIZING THAT,
14 CONSISTENT WITH THE BOARD DIRECTION SEVERAL MONTHS AGO.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY ASSOCIATED WITH
17 RETIREE HEALTHCARE?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT'S 1.3? OH, \$23 BILLION.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** \$23 BILLION IS THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY
22 ASSOCIATED WITH RETIREE HEALTHCARE?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, IT IS. JUST RETIREE HEALTHCARE?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WOULD BE THE WHOLE PENSION PLAN, I WOULD
2 THINK. THE ENTIRE. JUST FOR RETIREE. THAT'S THE COUNTY BUDGET,
3 \$23 BILLION A YEAR. SO OUR ENTIRE BUDGET.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT MAKES A NUMBER OF ASSUMPTIONS AND IT'S FOR-
6 - BECAUSE IT'S A PAY AS YOU GO PROGRAM. BUT IT DOES MAKE A
7 NUMBER OF VERY BROAD ASSUMPTIONS. BUT THAT'S WHAT OUR
8 L.A.C.E.R.A. IS SAYING RIGHT NOW.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY, THE TOTAL
11 UNFUNDED LIABILITY?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'M GOING TO ASK GREGG TO COME FORWARD. CENTER
14 TABLE. GREGG RADEMACHER IS OUR GENERAL MANAGER FOR THE
15 RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THERE'S \$23 BILLION UNFUNDED LIABILITY FOR
18 RETIREE HEALTH. AND THE TOTAL UNFUNDED LIABILITY IS WHAT
19 AMOUNT?

20

21 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS. THE RETIREE HEALTHCARE LIABILITY IS APPROXIMATELY
23 23 BILLION. AND THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM ALSO HAS AN UNFUNDED
24 LIABILITY OF APPROXIMATELY ABOUT 5 BILLION.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 5 BILLION? SO A TOTAL OF 28 BILLION.

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3 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** CORRECT.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS WHY L.A.C.E.R.A.'S
6 NOT MORE-- WHY L.A.C.E.R.A. WAS NOT AGGRESSIVE IN ATTEMPTING
7 TO INITIATE THEIR VARIOUS REFORMS TO REDUCE THAT LIABILITY,
8 BECAUSE THAT \$28 BILLION LIABILITY IS MUCH GREATER THAN OUR
9 COUNTY'S ENTIRE BUDGET THAT SERVICES 88 CITIES AND 1.5 MILLION
10 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES.

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12 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** WITH REGARDS TO THE RETIREMENT PLAN, THE
13 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS IMPLEMENTED SIGNIFICANT PENSION
14 REFORMS OVER THE PAST 30 YEARS. FOR MANY YEARS, THERE WAS ONLY
15 ONE PLAN AVAILABLE TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES, WHICH IS WHAT WE CALL
16 THE TIER 1 OR PLAN A. THAT WAS CLOSED BACK IN 1977. ANOTHER
17 LOWER COST PLAN, PLAN B WAS IMPLEMENTED. THAT WAS CLOSED
18 APPROXIMATELY A YEAR LATER. A THIRD LOWER COST PLAN WAS
19 IMPLEMENTED. THAT PLAN WAS CLOSED. AND WE NOW HAVE TIER 4,
20 PLAN D, WHICH IS IMPLEMENTED IN 1979, WHICH OFFERS A VERY
21 MODEST AND REASONABLE BENEFIT, WHICH HAS BEEN AVAILABLE TO NEW
22 EMPLOYEES. IN 1982 A HYBRID PLAN WAS OPENED AND EMPLOYEES WERE
23 GIVEN A BASE BENEFIT UNDER PLAN E AND ENCOURAGED TO
24 PARTICIPATE IN FUND CONTRIBUTION PLANS. THAT PLAN HAS BEEN
25 OPEN SINCE 1982. SO THOSE TWO PLANS OFFER A VERY REASONABLE



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1 AND MODEST BENEFIT AND ARE ACTUALLY PRETTY, I WOULD RECOMMEND
2 COST-EFFECTIVE BOTH FOR THE EMPLOYER AND THE EMPLOYEE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS YOUR TIMEFRAME WHERE THE \$28 BILLION
5 LIABILITY WOULD BE REDUCED THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE ON TOP OF
6 THE FUTURE LIABILITIES THAT ARE IN PLACE?

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8 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** THOSE TWO LIABILITIES WILL BE HANDLED
9 SEPARATELY. THE L.A.C.E.R.A.'S DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
10 FUNDING AND CONTROL OF THE RETIREMENT LIABILITY. WE HAVE A
11 VERY CONSERVATIVE AND STRUCTURED PROGRAM OF FUNDING POLICY TO
12 SETTLE THAT \$5 BILLION DEFICIT OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS THROUGH
13 AN ANTICIPATED INVESTMENT EARNINGS AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS
14 NOT TO EXCEED A 30-YEAR PERIOD. THE LIABILITY FOR THE RETIREE
15 HEALTHCARE RESTS WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THEIR
16 FINANCING OBJECTIVES.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WITH THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY, WITH
19 PROBABLY UNEMPLOYMENT CONTINUING, THE DOWN ECONOMY FOR AT
20 LEAST THE NEXT TWO YEARS OR SO, THE BOARD SHOULD BE TAKING
21 AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS TO REDUCE THAT LIABILITY.

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23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE'S SOME ACTIONS WE CAN LOOK AT, AND
24 THAT'S THE INTENT OF HAVING THAT DISCUSSION, BUT ALSO TO
25 REPORT BACK TO THIS BOARD. THE ONE THING THAT'S REAL IMPORTANT



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1 TO NOTE, THOUGH, BECAUSE OF THE ACTIONS OF THIS BOARD, OUR
2 CURRENT PLAN IS ACTUALLY A MORE CONSERVATIVE PLAN THAN WHAT
3 THE STATE'S REFORM PLAN IS PROPOSING. THE STATE HAS A NUMBER
4 OF REFORMS ON THE TABLE RIGHT NOW THAT'S BEEN PRESENTED BY THE
5 GOVERNOR THAT DO NOT COME CLOSE TO WHAT OUR EXISTING PLAN HAS
6 ALREADY DONE. WE HAVE A VERY RESPONSIBLE RETIREMENT PLAN. I
7 THINK IT'S BEEN ACHIEVED THROUGH THE STRONG POLICIES HERE OF
8 THIS BOARD. THERE'S ALWAYS ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT. AND WHAT WE
9 WILL BE DOING IS WE CAN TALK MORE AS WE GET INTO CLOSED
10 SESSION, BUT THEN CONSISTENT WITH THE MOTION IS TO REPORT BACK
11 ON HOW WE CAN LOOK AT SOME ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT ARE THE CONTRIBUTIONS STILL GOING UP?

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15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OUR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE GOING UP PRINCIPALLY
16 DRIVEN BY LOSSES IN OUR INVESTMENTS. NOT IN THE STRUCTURE OF
17 OUR PLAN, RIGHT?

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19 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** THAT IS CORRECT. WITH THE CLOSURE OF THE
20 ORIGINAL TIERS MORE THAN 30 YEARS AGO, THOSE WERE AT A GREATER
21 COST TO THE EMPLOYER. AND AS THOSE EMPLOYEES HAVE RETIRED AND
22 REGRETTABLY PASSED AWAY, THE MORE COST-EFFECTIVE TIERS ARE
23 CREATING A LOWER COST FOR THE EMPLOYER AS TIME GOES ON. SO WE
24 HAVE SEEN THE COSTS THROUGH THE ONGOING COSTS NOT ATTRIBUTABLE



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1 TO THE ASSET LOSSES ACTUALLY STABILIZING AND DECREASING OVER
2 TIME.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL IF WE'RE AHEAD OF THE CURVE AND WE HAVE
5 GREATER REFORMS THAN THE STATE OR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IS
6 TALKING ABOUT, AND WE HAVE A \$28 BILLION UNFUNDED LIABILITY,
7 YOU CAN IMAGINE THE BILLIONS AND BILLIONS AND BILLIONS OF
8 LIABILITIES THAT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA CURRENTLY HAS, WHICH
9 IS DIGGING ITSELF IN A DEEPER HOLE. AND MANY OF OUR
10 MUNICIPALITIES ARE HAVING THIS. I MEAN, IT'S REALLY LIKE A
11 STEALTH ATTACK ON THE FINANCIAL ABILITY OF EVERY MUNICIPALITY
12 AND STATE TO BE VIABLE AND TO BE ABLE TO CREATE FUTURE JOBS. I
13 MEAN, WE'RE GOING TO BE LIKE GREECE.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT THE OTHER
16 MUNICIPALITIES ARE FACING SOME SERIOUS CHALLENGES, BUT THE
17 MESSAGE WE WANTED TO PRESENT TODAY IS THAT THROUGH PAST
18 PRACTICES OF THIS BOARD AND THIS COUNTY, WE'RE NOT IN AS BAD A
19 PROBLEM. OUR CONTRIBUTION INCREASES ARE DRIVEN BY INVESTMENT
20 LOSSES, NOT AS MUCH BY THE STRUCTURE OF THE PLAN. WE ALREADY
21 HAVE OUR PLAN D AND PLAN E ARE AS CONSERVATIVE AS IT GETS. BUT
22 ON THE SAME TOKEN, THERE'S ALWAYS ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT. IT'S
23 OUR INTENT TO COME BACK TO YOU WITH THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS.
24 WITH RESPECT TO RETIREE HEALTH CARE, BECAUSE WE HAVE A PAY AS
25 YOU GO SYSTEM, YOU HAVE THAT DOLLAR AMOUNT SITTING OUT THERE.



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1 WHAT WE CONTRIBUTE EVERY SINGLE YEAR REPRESENTS UNFUNDED
2 LIABILITY ASSUMING THE AVERAGE LIFE SPAN FOR NOT ONLY AN
3 EXISTING EMPLOYEE BUT A RETIREE. THAT RETIREE IS ENTITLED TO
4 THAT BENEFIT OVER A PERIOD OF TIME. BUT EVEN LOOKING AT THE
5 RETIREE HEALTHCARE STRUCTURE, THERE'S ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT
6 THERE.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE CONTRIBUTION THAT COUNTY EMPLOYEES MAKE
11 TOWARDS THEIR PENSION IS A PERCENTAGE OF THEIR PAYCHECK DOES
12 THAT CONTRIBUTION. DOES THAT PERCENTAGE VARY? HAS THAT
13 PERCENTAGE INCREASED OVER TIME? I DON'T MIND IT HAS. I KNOW
14 MINE HAS. AND I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT JUST AFFECTS THE NON-
15 REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES OR WHETHER THIS IS SOMETHING THAT
16 AFFECTS ALL EMPLOYEES.

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18 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** EVERY EMPLOYEE WITHIN A PARTICULAR PLAN WILL
19 BE TREATED EQUALLY. THE EMPLOYEES WITHIN PLAN D WILL HAVE
20 DIFFERENT CONTRIBUTION RATES SIMPLY FOR THE FACT THAT THEY
21 WERE AT DIFFERENT AGES WHEN THEY ENTERED THE SYSTEM. SO EACH
22 PERSON COMING IN AT A SPECIFIC AGE WILL HAVE THE SAME
23 CONTRIBUTION.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. BUT MY QUESTION IS: WHEN I CAME IN,
2 THE PERCENTAGE OF MY SALARY WAS X. NOW IT'S X PLUS. A HALF A
3 PERCENT OR WHATEVER. IT'S GONE UP. I REMEMBER ASKING-- I DON'T
4 KNOW IF I ASKED YOUR DEPARTMENT OR OUR C.E.O., WHEN DID THAT
5 HAPPEN? AND I WAS TOLD THAT THE ADJUSTMENT WAS MADE BY THE
6 BOARD. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT WAS SUBJECT TO A NEGOTIATION
7 WITH THE EMPLOYEES OR JUST SOMETHING THAT'S A VARIABLE FIGURE
8 THAT GETS ASSIGNED BASED UPON WHAT THE RETURNS OF YOUR
9 SYSTEMS, THE RETURNS ON YOUR INVESTMENTS ARE AND THINGS LIKE
10 THAT.

11

12 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** EVERY THREE YEARS THE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS
13 OF L.A.C.E.R.A. WILL TAKE A LOCK AT THE ASSUMPTIONS USED TO
14 FUND THE PLAN. AND IF THERE'S CHANGES TO CERTAIN ASSUMPTIONS
15 WITH RESPECT TO SALARY OR MORTALITY, THAT COULD IMPACT THE
16 RATE THE EMPLOYEE PAYS. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT MANY OF US ARE
17 LIVING LONGER. THE ACTUARY ESTIMATES THAT WE'LL BE LIVING
18 LONGER AND THEREFORE THE EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED TO PAY A LITTLE
19 BIT MORE INTO THE PENSION PLAN TO HELP FUND THAT COST.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT IS NOT DUE TO LABOR NEGOTIATION; THAT
22 IS JUST AN ACTUARIAL KIND OF A THING.

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24 **GREG RADEMACHER:** ACTUALLY, BOTH. FROM L.A.C.E.R.A.'S
25 PERSPECTIVE, WE'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR SETTING THE RATES OF THE



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1 PLAN. THOSE RATES ARE COMMUNICATED TO YOUR BOARD, THE COUNTY
2 OF LOS ANGELES. AND YOU DO HAVE CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES WITH
3 REGARD TO LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AND APPLYING THOSE RATES.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE ONE IMPORTANT POINT ON THAT IS THAT A LOT
8 OF JURISDICTIONS-- THIS IS IN PARTIAL RESPONSE TO SUPERVISOR
9 ANTONOVICH'S STATEMENT WITH RESPECT TO OTHER MUNICIPALITIES. A
10 LOT OF OTHER MUNICIPALITIES DO NOT REQUIRE THEIR EMPLOYEES TO
11 CONTRIBUTE TO THE RETIREMENT PLAN. THE ENTITY OR THE CITY OR
12 COUNTY PICKS UP THAT COST. OUR EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR
13 PLAN. THANK YOU.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THIS
16 ITEM. IF I COULD ASK THEM TO ADDRESS. MARLENE ALLEN HAVE BOB
17 SCHOONNOVER, ARNOLD SACHS AND BLAINE MEEK. PLEASE JOIN US.
18 THERE IS NO APPLAUSE. SIR, EXCUSE ME. THERE IS NO APPLAUSE
19 DURING OUR TESTIMONY SO THAT WE CAN HAVE EVERYBODY TESTIFY
20 COMPLETELY AND THOROUGHLY, SO, PLEASE, IF YOU ABSOLUTELY
21 INSIST THAT YOU WANT TO CHEER YOUR PERSON ON, JUST RAISE YOUR
22 HANDS AND WE WILL ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. THANK YOU. MS. ALLEN, DO
23 YOU WANT TO BEGIN?

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1 **MARLENE ALLEN:** GOOD MORNING TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARLENE ALLEN. I'M A LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY EMPLOYEE AND I WORK FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
4 SERVICES IN THE WELFARE-TO-WORK PROGRAM. I'M HERE TO TALK TO
5 YOU ABOUT RETIREMENT, WHICH IS ON EVERYONE'S MIND. MILLIONS OF
6 ORDINARY AMERICANS HAVE SEEN THEIR RETIREMENT LOSE VALUE AND
7 THEIR FUTURE PLANS CRUSHED. THE MEDIA ARE PUBLICIZING PENSION
8 FUND LOSSES AND CORRUPTION IN CITIES LIKE BELL. BUT WE NEED TO
9 GET REAL ABOUT THE PROBLEM WE'RE FACING AND WHAT WE CAN DO TO
10 ADDRESS IT. OUR NATION HAS A RETIREMENT CRISIS THAT AFFECTS
11 EVERY AMERICAN. WHILE THE FOCUS HAS BEEN ON PENSION SYSTEM
12 LOSSES AND PRESSURE ON GOVERNMENT TO FIND THE REVENUES TO PRE-
13 FUND EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT, WE'RE EVEN MORE AT RISK AS
14 MILLIONS OF AMERICANS ARE WITHOUT PENSIONS, AND MANY HAVE SEEN
15 THEIR RETIREMENT WEALTH WIPED OUT IN THE STOCK MARKET THROUGH
16 RISKY 401(K) PLANS. LOS ANGELES NEEDS TO BE A LEADER IN
17 PROTECTING EVERYONE'S RETIREMENT, NOT JUST CHIPPING AWAY AT
18 THOSE WHO ALREADY HAVE SECURE RETIREMENTS. HERE'S A FACT ABOUT
19 COUNTY EMPLOYEES: WE ALREADY PAY FOR OUR OWN RETIREMENT. WE'RE
20 ALREADY DOING MORE TO PAY THAN ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
21 IN THE REGION. L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEES MAKE THE MAXIMUM
22 CONTRIBUTION TO THEIR RETIREMENT UNDER STATE LAW. L.A. COUNTY
23 EMPLOYEES ARE WORKING HARD TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES THAT OUR
24 COUNTY NEEDS, AND THEY AREN'T GETTING RICH, OR WE AREN'T
25 GETTING RICH WITH THAT RETIREMENT. WE AREN'T ELIGIBLE FOR



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1 SOCIAL SECURITY. AND FOR THE VAST MAJORITY, THE ANNUAL PAYMENT
2 WILL BE LESS THAN \$24,000 A YEAR. CAN YOU LIVE IN LOS ANGELES
3 ON THAT? IT'S NOT A LOT OF MONEY, BUT IT CAN MAKE THE
4 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A RETIRED NURSE OR SOCIAL SERVICES WORKER
5 WHO PAYS FOR THEIR OWN RETIREMENT AND ONE WHO DEPENDS ON THE
6 SAME SUBSIDIZED SERVICES THEY WANT PROVIDED AT A COUNTY
7 FACILITY. S.I.E.U. MEMBERS WHO WORK FOR L.A.A COUNTY ARE
8 PARTNERED WITH YOU TO PROTECT SERVICES LIKE PARKS AND
9 HEALTHCARE, SOCIAL SERVICES AND INCREASE FUNDING. WE ARE
10 WORKING ALONGSIDE COUNTY LEADERS TO MAKE SURE OUR SERVICES ARE
11 STREAMLINED AND EFFECTIVE. LAST YEAR, WE SUPPORTED FUNDING
12 POLICY CHANGES THAT SAVED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS RIGHT NOW. WE
13 NEED TO LOOK AT THE BIG PICTURE. COUNTY WORKERS WANT TO BE
14 PART OF THE SOLUTION TO PROTECT FUNDING FOR OUR PARKS AND
15 PROGRAMS, BUT THIS IS THE WRONG WAY TO DO IT. I ASK YOU TO
16 LOOK AT THE BIG PICTURE, CONSIDER THE FACTS AND VOTE NO ON
17 THAT MOTION. THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MS. ALLEN. THANK YOU. BOB
20 SCHOONOVER, PLEASE.

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22 **BLAINE MEEK:** HE WASN'T ABLE TO MAKE IT. I'M BLAINE MEEK. MOST
23 BOARD MEMBERS KNOW ME. I'M CHAIR OF THE COALITION OF COUNTY
24 UNIONS. I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF CHAIRING THAT GROUP THAT
25 REPRESENTS OVER 35,000 COUNTY EMPLOYEES. I WOULD ONLY MAKE TWO



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1 POINTS TO YOU THAT I THINK ARE VERY IMPORTANT. THE COALITION
2 HAS HAD A COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BOARD MEMBERS IN
3 THE LAST 20 YEARS THAT I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED. WE HAVE NUMEROUS
4 TIMES OFFERED TO GIVE YOU ASSISTANCE IN GAINING FUNDING FOR
5 NECESSARY PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION, TO WORK TOGETHER IN
6 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING TO COME UP WITH REASONABLE SOLUTIONS.
7 AND WHEN TWO MONTHS AGO YOU CAME TO US AND YOU SAID YOU NEEDED
8 HELP FROM US, A CONCESSION, IF YOU WILL, TO HELP PREVENT
9 FURTHER CUTS IN YOUR PROGRAMS, WE WENT TO WORK AND WE CAME UP
10 WITH A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT THAT YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU, WITH A
11 CONCESSION AND COVERING THE IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF HEALTHCARE IN
12 2012. NOW, CERTAINLY THE BOARD HAS THE RIGHT TO REJECT THE
13 TENTATIVE AGREEMENT AND THROW IT BACK IN OUR FACE. THAT'S THE
14 BOARD'S RIGHT. WE RECOGNIZE THAT. BUT, YOU MIGHT WANT TO CHECK
15 WITH COUNSEL ABOUT YOUR LEGAL POSITION IN TAKING ON THIS
16 MOTION BECAUSE IN OUR VIEW, IT'S AN UNFAIR LABOR PRACTICE.
17 AND, SECOND, YOU HAVE MANY HURDLES TO GO THROUGH IN GETTING
18 PENSION REFORM. IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT NEGOTIATING WITH THE
19 UNIONS. YOU HAVE TO GET LEGISLATION PASSED. SO I WOULD
20 STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU TAKE A SECOND LOOK AT WHERE YOU'RE
21 AT, AT LEAST WITH THE COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS, AND THE
22 TENTATIVE AGREEMENT THAT WE HAVE ENTERED INTO THAT HELPS
23 PRESERVE YOUR COUNTY SERVICES FROM BEING CUT BY OUR CONCESSION
24 AND, IN TURN, PAYS FOR OUR EMPLOYEES' HEALTHCARE, TOWARDS OUR



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1 EMPLOYEES' HEALTHCARE. NOT ALL THE COSTS, JUST A PORTION OF IT
2 IN 2012. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. NO ONE ELSE? ALL RIGHT.
5 MR. SACHS? ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES THE TESTIMONY ON THIS
6 ITEM. HE'S DECIDED NOT TO COME UP. I DON'T KNOW WHERE HE IS.
7 YES. I DO WANT TO SAY, THOUGH, FOR MANY OF THE PEOPLE, WE'VE--
8 AT LEAST I REALLY FEEL WE DON'T NEED THE PENSION REFORM WHEN
9 WE COMPARE OURSELVES TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS AS TO WHAT'S GOING
10 ON. THIS COUNTY HAS BEEN FAIRLY STABLE IN THE WHOLE AREA OF
11 PENSIONS FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. I KNOW WHEN I FIRST ARRIVED,
12 IT WAS QUITE A PROBLEM. WE HAD PENSIONS SPIKING THAT WAS GOING
13 ON IN DIFFERENT AREAS WITH ALL KINDS OF ADD-ONS THAT EVERYBODY
14 WAS UTILIZING EVERYTHING FROM TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCES TO ALL
15 KINDS OF MECHANISMS AS TO HOW THEY CALCULATED THEIR PENSION
16 BENEFITS. BUT WE REFORMED IT BACK IN THE EARLY 1990S. IT WAS--
17 IT TOOK ME A WHOLE YEAR AND A HALF ALMOST TO GET THE THREE
18 VOTES NEEDED TO MOVE THIS FORWARD. BUT RIGHT NOW, OUR PENSION
19 SYSTEM IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE IN
20 THIS STATE. I KNOW THAT EVEN WHEN WE WERE PRESSURED BY YOU ARE
21 UNIONS TO PROVIDE 3 PERCENT AT 50, WE RESISTED. WE
22 UNFORTUNATELY MANY OF THOSE GOVERNMENT, MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS
23 AND INCLUDING THE STATE THAT NOW OFFER IT FIND THEMSELVES IN A
24 TROUBLING PROBLEM WITH REGARD TO PENSIONS. AND CONSEQUENTLY
25 WE'RE ALL PAYING THE PRICE FOR IT. BUT I THINK WHEN YOU LOOK



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1 AT OUR COUNTY SYSTEM OVERALL, WE HAVE A VERY SOLID PENSION
2 SYSTEM THAT WORKS VERY EFFECTIVELY THAT'S FAIR AND EQUITABLE
3 TO ALL OF THE EMPLOYEES. WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO CREATE, EVEN IN
4 THE SAFETY CLASSES, A VERY EFFECTIVE RETIREMENT PLAN FOR MANY
5 OF OUR SAFETY OFFICERS. EVERYBODY ALWAYS WANTS MORE. BUT AT
6 THE SAME TIME, AT THE END OF THE DAY, WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE
7 PROBLEMS, EVENTUALLY YOUR PENSION SYSTEM STARTS GOING AFTER
8 YOUR REGULAR BUDGET AND IT STARTS EATING INTO DIRECT SERVICES
9 THAT ARE BEING PROVIDED. WHEN I LOOK AT MANY OF THE CITIES
10 THAT I REPRESENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND I SEE BUDGETS THAT
11 ARE EATING UP OVER 80 PERCENT OF THEIR BUDGET IS GOING TO
12 SAFETY AND PENSIONS, THEN YOU KNOW THAT YOU ARE PAYING TOO
13 MUCH OF YOUR TAX DOLLARS INTO THOSE KINDS OF SYSTEMS. SO WE
14 HAVE TO BE VERY CAREFUL WHEN WE LOOK AT SOME OF THE CHALLENGES
15 THAT THE STATE HAS IN ITS BUDGET. CUTTING SERVICES, THEIR
16 DEFICIT IS DEFINITELY BASED ON THEIR INABILITY TO MAKE UP THE
17 KIND OF PENSION COSTS THAT THEY HAVE. SO WHILE I DO UNDERSTAND
18 THE ENTIRE STATE AND MANY MUNICIPALITIES ARE IN THE PROCESS OF
19 LOOKING AT PENSION REFORM, I MUST SAY TO THE PUBLIC AND TO
20 EVERYONE THAT I DON'T THINK L.A. COUNTY NEEDS PENSION REFORM.
21 WE'VE DONE A VERY SOLID JOB FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. THERE ARE
22 PROBABLY SOME FIXES THAT WE CAN MAKE ALONG THE WAY AND CERTAIN
23 EFFORTS AS FAR AS RETIREE HEALTH AND OTHER ISSUES. BUT
24 OVERALL, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THIS COUNTY AND COMPARE IT TO OTHER
25 COUNTIES IN THE STATE, WHEN YOU LOOK AT IT COMPARED TO THE



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1 STATE, WE'RE DOING A VERY GOOD JOB IN ALL OF OUR PENSION
2 OBLIGATIONS, NOT ONLY TO OUR EMPLOYEES BUT TO OUR RETIREES AS
3 WELL AS TO TAXPAYERS WHEN IT COMES TO SUSTAINING AND
4 MAINTAINING OUR PENSIONS FOR ALL OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES. SO I
5 JUST WANTED TO SHARE THOSE THOUGHTS. BUT WE ARE GOING INTO
6 CLOSED SESSION ON THIS ITEM. ALL RIGHT. NEXT ITEM, SUPERVISOR
7 ANTONOVICH?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
10 MEMORY OF COMMISSIONER SUPERIOR COURT RALPH AMADO WHO PASSED
11 AWAY ON OCTOBER 17TH. JOSEPH, "JOE" ANTHONY BEAUCHAMP, VETERAN
12 OF THE KOREAN WAR, UNITED STATES ARMY. ACTIVE MEMBER OF ST.
13 MARY'S PARISH IN PALMDALE. JUDY LEE BELCHER, LIFETIME RESIDENT
14 OF ANTELOPE VALLEY. AMY LULA BREWER, ALSO ACTIVE IN THE
15 PALMDALE BAPTIST CHURCH AND WORKED ON THE ELECTIONS BOARD IN
16 EVERY ELECTION YEAR. AMELIA CASTILLO, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF LA
17 VERNE. SHE WORKED AT THE SUMITOMO BANK. FRANK PETER CROOK, JR.
18 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. HIS DEGREES ARE FROM U.C.L.A. IN
19 MECHANICAL ENGINEERING AND WORLD WAR II DESIGNING AIRPLANES
20 FOR MCDONNELL DOUGLAS AND THEN LATER OPENED AEROTERRA COMPANY
21 AND WAS ACTIVE IN HIS COMMUNITY. MEMBER OF THE SANTA MONICA
22 REPUBLICAN CLUB. IS SURVIVED BY HIS GORDON GRANDSON. WALLY
23 ERICSON, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF COVINA, WORLD WAR II VETERAN.
24 HE WAS ACTIVE IN THE FINANCIAL EXECUTIVES INSTITUTE, SERVED AS
25 A PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. CHAPTER. EARNEST "CURLY" GILBERT,



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1 SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II, THE
2 517TH PARACHUTE REGIMENT TEAM. ACTIVE IN THE LANCASTER MASONIC
3 LODGE. ALBERT HENRI GUIDRY WORKED IN MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY
4 FOR 38 YEARS. SERVED THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND WAS A MASTER
5 OF PALMDALE'S MASONIC LOS ANGELES NO. 769. JUSTIN JOHN
6 INGLEDEW, WAS THE STEPSON OF FORMER COUNTY COUNSEL BILL
7 PELMAN. SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER KATHLEEN AND HIS SISTER AND
8 BROTHER AND HIS STEPFATHER. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 37.
9 PHYLLIS MANGUS, ANTELOPE VALLEY RESIDENT FOR 58 YEARS, PASSED
10 AWAY OCTOBER NINTH. RALPH MCCORKLE, DEPUTY LOS ANGELES FIRE
11 DEPARTMENT WITH THE VICE BUREAU. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 68.
12 CECELIA MARIA MCDONALD OF LA VERNE. DAVID MCFADDEN WAS A
13 MEMBER OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES FOR 25 YEARS, BECAME
14 EMERITUS MEMBER 1999. DR. ARUNKUMAR MEHTA. HE PRACTICED
15 CARDIOLOGY AT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY HOSPITAL. HE RECEIVED
16 NUMEROUS ACCOLADES FOR HIS HARD WORK, AND COMPASSION, AND
17 DEDICATION. PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER ELEVENTH. RUDOLPH "RUDY"
18 SALVADOR OF WEST COVINA. HE WAS A WORLD WAR II VETERAN AS WELL
19 AND AVID LOS ANGELES ANGELS BASEBALL FAN. ONE OF THE HALLMARKS
20 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WAS RAYMOND MARCELL TAIX. HE PASSED AWAY
21 ON OCTOBER TENTH. HE WAS THE OWNER OF TAIX RESTAURANT WHICH
22 MANY OF US HAVE ATTENDED MANY OF THEIR DINNERS ALONG WITH
23 FAMILY OR ATTENDING VARIOUS SERVICE ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNITY
24 GROUPS THAT HOUSED THEIR DINNERS THERE. HE WAS AN ARMY
25 VETERAN. SERVED IN THE 90TH AIR SUPPORT GROUP ON GUAM. WAS A



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1 RECIPIENT OF THE MANY MEDALS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY. BOARD
2 OF DIRECTORS OF THE L.A. GROUPS AND SERVICE CLUBS IN LOS
3 ANGELES COUNTY AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND SON. AND
4 CHARLES WATCHINSKI WHO PASSED AWAY ALSO AT THE AGE OF 86. HE
5 WAS A WORLD WAR II VETERAN WITH THE UNITED STATES MARINE
6 CORPS. I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE A MOTION FOR SUPERVISOR-- CO-
7 AUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. AS OF OCTOBER 19TH,
8 THERE WAS AN ARTICLE ENTITLED "L.A. COUNTY CHILD ABUSE DEATHS
9 RISING." IT WAS AN UNSUPPORTED NEXUS BETWEEN CHILD DEATHS AND
10 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S TITLE IV-E WAIVER. THE ARTICLE
11 INDICATES THE WAIVER TO KEEP CHILDREN SAFELY IN THEIR HOMES
12 HAS LED TO A RELUCTANCE TO DETAIN CHILDREN FROM DANGEROUS
13 PARENTS. ACCORDING TO FIGURES FROM THE INTER-AGENCY COUNCIL ON
14 CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT, I.C.A.N., THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN
15 DYING FROM ABUSE AND NEGLECT HAS ACTUALLY DROPPED FROM 72 IN
16 1989 TO 43 IN 2009. THROUGHOUT THE TITLE IV-E WAIVER THE RATE
17 OF REMOVALS OF CHILDREN FROM THEIR BIRTH HOMES HAS REMAINED
18 STEADY, AVERAGING APPROXIMATELY 900 PER MONTH OR 11,000
19 ANNUALLY. THESE NUMBERS OF REMOVALS HAVE REMAINED STEADY PRE-
20 AND POST WAIVER. THEREFORE, THE IV-E WAIVERS HAVE NOT IMPACTED
21 OR HAVE NOT DECREASED L.A. COUNTY'S OVERALL RATE OF DETAINING
22 CHILDREN FROM THEIR BIRTH HOMES. HOWEVER, HAVING ANY CHILD IN
23 AN UNSAFE SITUATION IS UNTOLERABLE WHETHER IT IS HIS OR HER
24 BIRTH HOME OR OUT OF HOME CARE. THIS SHOULD BE THE UTMOST
25 CONCERN FOR OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE COUNTY STRUCTURE,



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1 WHICH CHARGES THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
2 WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHILD SAFETY, LEAVES THE AUTHORITY
3 FOR SUPPORTIVE SERVICE AND STAFFING RESOURCES OF OTHER
4 DEPARTMENTS. THIS RESULTS IN THE COUNTY'S LIMITED ABILITY TO
5 MANAGE ITS TOP PRIORITY OF CHILD SAFETY EMBEDDED WITHIN ALL
6 OUR COUNTYWIDE SOCIAL AND PUBLIC SAFETY PROBLEMS. WE WOULD
7 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT C.E.O. AND THE DIRECTOR
8 OF DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO REPORT BACK
9 IN 14 DAYS ON THE OUTCOME OF TITLE IV-E WAIVER TO DATE AND
10 ADDRESS THE ISSUES BROUGHT FORTH IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
11 TITLE IV-E WAIVER CAP INTERIM EVALUATION REPORT COMPLETED BY
12 THE STATE EVALUATOR DR. CHARLES FERGUSON. SO THIS IS A REPORT
13 BACK IN TWO WEEKS, MADAME CHAIR. REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (OFF MIC.)

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES. I WOULD LIKE TO DO S-1.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (OFF MIC.)

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTION I HAVE FOR ITEM 11, LET ME ASK
22 THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH IS REQUESTING
23 APPROVAL TO PROVIDE INTERIM PROVISIONAL PAYMENTS TO VARIOUS
24 MENTAL HEALTH CONTRACTORS PROVIDED TO MAINTAIN CASH FLOW
25 PENDING THE STATE'S IMPLEMENTATION OF CHANGES IN THE SHORT



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1 DOYLE MEDI-CAL PHASE-IN-- PHASE 2 CLAIMING SYSTEM. THE
2 QUESTION I'D ASK DR. SOUTHARD, THERE WAS A PREVIOUS BOARD
3 LETTER ACTION THAT DEALS WITH CASH FLOW ADVANCES DUE TO THE
4 STATE'S FAILURE TO ADOPT THEIR CLAIMING PROCESS TO FEDERAL
5 GUIDELINES. WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THAT PROCESS AND HOW DOES
6 THIS BOARD LETTER RELATE TO THAT PREVIOUS ACTION?

7

8 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** MARVIN SOUTHARD, DIRECTOR OF THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THIS
10 ACTION IS A SEPARATE PIECE OF A LARGER PROCESS OF THIS STATE
11 SYSTEM CHANGE. THE PART THAT YOUR BOARD ALLOWED US TO ADDRESS
12 EARLIER WAS THE ABILITY TO HAVE A PAYMENT MECHANISM FOR
13 PROVIDERS WHEN WE CLOSE DOWN OUR CLAIMING SYSTEM WITHIN LOS
14 ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO CONTINUE INTERIM
15 PAYMENTS THROUGH THAT TIME. AS IT TURNED OUT, THE DOWN TIME
16 WAS ONLY ONE MONTH. WE PROVIDED INTERIM PAYMENTS OF \$20
17 MILLION FOR THAT ONE MONTH. AND ALL OF THAT MONEY HAS BEEN
18 RECOUPED. THIS ACTION IS FOR A SEPARATE PROCESS IN WHICH WE
19 ARE TRYING TO DEAL WITH THE STATE'S INABILITY TO HANDLE DUAL
20 CLAIMS, CLAIMS THAT WE CLAIM BOTH TO MEDI-CAL AND MEDICARE.
21 AND WHILE WE ARE WAITING FOR THE STATE TO HAVE THE ABILITY TO
22 RECEIVE OUR CLAIMS FOR THOSE SERVICES THAT OUR COMMUNITY
23 AGENCIES HAVE PROVIDED, WE WANT TO HAVE ALSO THE POSSIBILITY
24 TO REIMBURSE THEM FOR THE SERVICES THAT THEY HAVE PROVIDED.
25 AND SO THAT'S A SEPARATE PART OF THE SAME CHANGE PROCESS.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW IS THE DEPARTMENT REQUIRED TO REIMBURSE
3 THE CONTRACTOR PROVIDERS FOR ALL CLAIMS THAT ARE FORWARDED TO
4 THE STATE, EVEN THOSE CLAIMS THAT ARE REJECTED NOW BY
5 MEDICARE?

6

7 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** YES, SUPERVISOR. ANY CLAIM THAT WE SEND
8 FORWARD, WE HAVE TO PROVIDE THE LOCAL MATCH FOR OR IT'S A
9 FALSE CLAIM THAT WE SUBMIT TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. SO THE
10 PROCESS IS: WE NEED TO SUBMIT THE CLAIM, HAVING PAID THE LOCAL
11 MATCH, AND THEN WE ARE REIMBURSED FOR THE FEDERAL SHARE. THE
12 MEDICARE DENIALS ARE NOT A PROBLEM, BECAUSE IF THEY'RE DENIED
13 BY MEDICARE, IN MOST INSTANCES, WE WILL BE REIMBURSED BY
14 MEDICAID IN THE SAME AMOUNT. THE ONLY ISSUE IS THE PROPORTION
15 OF THE SHARE THAT COMES FROM THE FEDERAL MEDICAID PROGRAM AND
16 THE MEDICARE PROGRAM. AND THAT'S WHY THIS IS A LITTLE AN ODD
17 CIRCUMSTANCE. IT'S NOT HOW MUCH WE WILL BE PAID, BUT WHAT PART
18 OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL PAY US.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN WHAT IS THE TIMEFRAME FOR THE
21 DEPARTMENT TO REPROGRAM TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE
22 CHANGES TO THE SHORT DOYLE CLAIMING SYSTEM?

23



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1 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, WHEN THE STATE IS FINISHED
2 WITH THEIR PIECE OF THE SYSTEMS CHANGE, IT TAKES US ABOUT SIX
3 TO EIGHT WEEKS TO COMPLETE OUR PROGRAMMING CHANGES.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE GOVERNOR'S VETO OF A.B. 3632,
6 WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF THE LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED FOR THOSE
7 SERVICES THROUGH E.P.S.D.T.?

8

9 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, THE FUNDING PROGRAM FOR THE
10 A.B. 3632 PROGRAM IS VERY COMPLEX. BUT ONE PORTION OF THAT
11 FUNDING IS FOR SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE
12 KIDS THAT CAN BE PROVIDED THROUGH MEDICAID. AND FOR THOSE
13 SERVICES UNDER E.P.S.D.T., WE CAN CONTINUE. AND IF AFTER THE
14 MANDATE CHANGE, IF IT ENDS UP BEING SUSTAINED, WE BELIEVE WE
15 WOULD BE THE BEST OPTION FOR THE SCHOOLS TO CONTINUE PROVIDING
16 THOSE SERVICES TO KIDS, BECAUSE THROUGH US THEY WOULD HAVE
17 ACCESS TO THE FEDERAL FUNDS. THE LOCAL MATCH TO CONTINUE TO
18 PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES TO MEDICAID-ELIGIBLE KIDS WHO ARE A
19 MINORITY OF 3632 KIDS IS ABOUT \$900,000.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WHO IS LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING
22 THOSE SERVICES?

23

24 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** IN 49 OF THE 50 STATES, IT'S ABSOLUTELY
25 CLEAR THAT IT'S THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM. HERE IN CALIFORNIA,



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1 THE MANDATE THAT IS ORDINARILY EVERY PLACE ELSE ON THE
2 EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM WAS DELEGATED BACK TO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH
3 PROGRAMS. NOW THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS SUSPENDED THAT MANDATE, IT
4 APPEARS THAT THE PREPONDERANCE OF THE LEGAL OPINION IS THAT
5 THE MANDATE FALLS BACK ON THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM ONCE IT HAS
6 BEEN SUSPENDED FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE PROPOSED FUNDING STREAM THAT THE
9 DEPARTMENT WOULD UTILIZE TO ENSURE THAT SERVICES WOULD BE
10 DELIVERED TO THE 500 CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-PATIENT-- OR I SHOULD
11 SAY OUT OF STATE PLACEMENT AND THE 2,500 PATIENTS IN
12 OUTPATIENT PROGRAMS?

13

14 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, WE BELIEVE THE FIRST PRIORITY
15 SHOULD BE THE CONTINUED SAFETY AND CARE OF THESE KIDS. SO WHAT
16 WE HAVE DONE IS WE'VE RECEIVED CONFIRMATION OF A BELIEF THAT
17 THE MANDATE CONTINUED TILL OCTOBER THE EIGHTH WHEN THE BLUE
18 PENCILING TOOK PLACE. AND WE WILL BE ABLE TO CLAIM BACK TO
19 JULY 1ST FOR THOSE SERVICES. FROM NOW FORWARD, WE BELIEVE THAT
20 WE WOULD BE REIMBURSED ULTIMATELY THROUGH THE SCHOOL
21 DISTRICTS, THE S.E.L.P.A.S OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND WE
22 HAVE SET UP A MEETING TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE S.E.L.P.A.S TO
23 FIGURE OUT WHAT CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE PUT IN PLACE
24 THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES



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1 EITHER ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS OR UNTIL THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
2 DEVELOPS A PLAN THAT MEETS THEIR NEEDS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, WELL NOW, AS YOU KNOW, THE BOARD HAS A
5 POLICY OF NOT BACKFILLING STATE CUTS. SO ARE YOU RECOMMENDING
6 CONTRIBUTING OR CONTINUING WITH THE COUNTY'S FUNDING?

7

8 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** NO, SUPERVISOR. WE BELIEVE THAT
9 ULTIMATELY THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
10 COSTS INCURRED IN THIS TRANSITION PERIOD. AND WE BELIEVE THE
11 MANDATE FALLS ON THEM.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IF THEY DON'T PAY, WE WOULD BE PROVIDING
14 THE SERVICE?

15

16 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** FOR THE INTERIM TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, YES.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IF THE SCHOOL BOARD DOES NOT PAY, THEN
19 THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND WOULD PAY.

20

21 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, WE BELIEVE THAT THE SCHOOL
22 DISTRICTS WILL HAVE NO ABILITY NOT TO PAY BECAUSE IF THEY
23 DON'T PAY AND DO NOT PROVIDE THIS MANDATE, THEY LOSE ACCESS TO
24 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF FEDERAL SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDS. SO I
25 THINK THEIR MANDATE--



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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THAT'S A GUARANTEE THAT WE'RE NOT CHANGING
3 COUNTY POLICY OF NOT BACKFILLING STATE CUTS?

4

5 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** IT'S NOT OUR INTENTION TO CHANGE COUNTY
6 POLICY AT ALL BUT TO PROVIDE AN ADEQUATE TRANSITION PLAN.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I MOVE THE ITEM.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (OFF MIC.)

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND UNDERSTAND ITEM 11, THE HOLD HAS BEEN--
13 THE PERSON THAT WAS HOLDING THAT HAS WITHDRAWN HIS HOLD SO I
14 MOVE ITEM 11. EXCUSE ME, ITEM 3.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
17 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
18 ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. YOU WANTED TO HAVE S-1?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THOSE ARE ALL THE ITEMS I HAVE, THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON S-1, WE HAVE ABOUT 45 SPEAKERS. I HAVE
23 SPOKEN TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. HE IS WILLING TO LIMIT IT
24 TO 1 MINUTE PER SPEAKER, IS THAT CORRECT, SIR?

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT WOULD BE CORRECT, MADAME CHAIR, WITH
2 RESPECT TO THE AUDIENCE IN APPRECIATION FOR THEIR BEING HERE.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND WE WILL GO FOR A HALF HOUR ON PUBLIC
5 SPEAKING?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, INITIALLY.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I WOULD CALL ON THESE FOLKS IF THEY WOULD
10 COME UP AND JOIN US IN GROUPS OF THREE. AND PLEASE TRY AND
11 LIMIT YOUR SPEAKING TO THE ONE MINUTE. WE APOLOGIZE. SO MUCH
12 IS GOING ON TODAY. ALL RIGHT. IF WE COULD ASK--

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, JUST A MOMENT ON THAT NOTE.
15 MIGHT I JUST SIMPLY ASK THAT WE AFFORD JOHN REIMER TO COME
16 FORTH WHAT WITH HIS TESTIMONY. HE DOES HAVE A TIME
17 CIRCUMSTANCE. AND I THINK HIS INSIGHTS WOULD PROVE VALUABLE TO
18 US. THAT'S THE ONE EXCEPTION THAT I'M PREPARED TO MAKE.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MR. REIMER. AND HE IS GOING TO
23 ESSENTIALLY HELP US WITH SOME OF THE TECHNICAL QUESTIONS AS
24 THEY MAY BE POSED BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AS WE PROCEED,
25 MADAME CHAIR.



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2 **JOHN REIMER:** GOOD MORNING. JOHN REIMER. MY TITLE IS THE
3 INSPECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AND DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF
4 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. I BRING
5 GREETINGS TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS. MY PURPOSE HERE TODAY IS TO
6 SHARE WITH YOU WHAT WE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES,
7 SPECIFICALLY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ARE DOING WITH
8 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS AND THE VALUE AND THE BENEFITS THAT
9 WE BELIEVE YOU WILL DERIVE FROM HAVING ONE YOURSELF. THE PATH
10 THAT WE TOOK WAS A THREE-YEAR JOURNEY IN THE SENSE THAT WE ARE
11 IN THE PROCESS OF NOW OF NEGOTIATING A DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROJECT
12 LABOR AGREEMENT. THAT COMES ON THE HEELS OF US OVER THE PAST
13 10 YEARS HAVING NEGOTIATED AT LEAST NINE PROJECT LABOR
14 AGREEMENTS FOR A TOTAL OF 14 INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS ALONG WITH
15 SEVERAL OTHER PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS
16 IN THE CITY OF L.A. THAT WE SERVE AS A FACILITATOR AND
17 ADMINISTRATOR OF THEIR PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS. IN THE COURSE
18 OF DOING THAT, WHAT WE HAVE FOUND IS THAT THIS TOOL, IF YOU
19 WILL, AND I WILL REFER TO IT AS A TOOL OR VEHICLE, IT HAS
20 AFFORDED US THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENSURE THAT WE DELIVER OUR
21 PROJECTS ON TIME AND UNDER BUDGET. IT PROVIDES FOR US QUALITY
22 CONSTRUCTION. BUT THE BIG ATTRACTIVE THING FOR US IS IT
23 PROVIDED A MECHANISM FOR US TO PUT MEN AND WOMEN TO WORK THAT
24 LIVE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. WE'VE COINED THE TERM
25 "L.I.G.H.T." AND L.I.G.H.T. STANDS FOR LIFTING INDIVIDUALS,



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1 GIVING HELP TODAY-- GIVING HOPE TODAY, RATHER. AND WHAT WE DID
2 WAS WE LEVERAGED THE CONTRACTS THAT WE HAVE IN THE CITY OF LOS
3 ANGELES, INTERCEDING ON BEHALF OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO LIVE
4 IN THE CITY THAT WERE CONCERNED ABOUT HAVING OPPORTUNITIES TO
5 WORK ON OUR PROJECTS. WE SAW THAT AS A MEANS OF GALVANIZING
6 THE COMMUNITY BY MAKING SURE THAT WE HAD MEASURABLE GOALS IN
7 THE SENSE THAT OUR LOCAL HIRE IS 30 PERCENT BY GOAL, 20
8 PERCENT FOR APPRENTICESHIP PARTICIPATION AND 10 PERCENT
9 DISADVANTAGED WORKER. ON AVERAGE WE HAVE ACHIEVED OVER THESE
10 10 YEARS 32 PERCENT ON ALL OF OUR PROJECTS. WE PUT OVER 3,000
11 MEN AND WOMEN TO WORK. WE'VE REINVESTED BACK INTO THE
12 COMMUNITY SOME 35 MILLION INTO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO WORKED ON
13 THESE PROJECTS. AND THIS IS THROUGH WAGES AND BENEFITS. SO IT
14 HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL. THE SUPERVISOR RIGHTLY SAID THAT I
15 WAS GOING TO HAVE TO LEAVE EARLY TODAY, BUT THAT MEETING WITH
16 THE MAYOR WAS CANCELED. SO WHAT I WILL DO, IF YOU WOULD SO
17 LIKE, I'LL MAKE MYSELF AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU
18 MIGHT HAVE BECAUSE I WOULD IMAGINE SOME WOULD COME UP.
19 ANTICIPATING WHAT MIGHT COME YOUR WAY, IN THE COURSE OF
20 MEETING WITH MANY STAKEHOLDERS, WE MET WITH CONTRACTORS, WE
21 MET WITH COMMUNITY, AND WE MET WITH THOSE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE
22 ARGUMENT WITH RESPECT TO PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS AS TO
23 WHETHER OR NOT THIS WOULD BE A FAIR PROCESS, BECAUSE WHAT WE
24 DID NOT WANT IN THE CITY OF L.A. WAS TO COME UP WITH POLICY
25 THAT WAS GOING TO ISOLATE ONE GROUP, ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. SO



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1 I WOULD SAY TO YOU THAT WE DIDN'T ENTER INTO THIS BEING
2 PASSIONATE FOR NOR PREJUDICED AGAINST. WHAT WE WANTED WAS
3 GOOD, SOUND POLICY THAT WAS GOING TO, AGAIN, TO BE REPETITIVE,
4 MAKE SURE THAT OUR PROJECTS WERE DELIVERED ON TIME. BUT ALSO
5 THAT THE PEOPLE IN THE CITY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK. AND IN
6 WORKING, I'M NOT REFERRING TO JUST A TOKEN PROJECT, BUT
7 WORKING FROM THE STANDPOINT OF ESTABLISHING A CAREER. LOCAL
8 HIRES, MANY PEOPLE WILL SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT, IS SOMETHING THAT
9 A LOT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS AND A LOT OF COMMUNITY LEADERS
10 WOULD LIKE TO HAVE. THE CHALLENGE WITH LOCAL HIRE, ABSENT A
11 PRIORITY LABOR AGREEMENT, IS GOING TO MAKE IT VERY DIFFICULT
12 FOR YOU TO BRING INTO YOUR WORK ENVIRONMENT APPRENTICES
13 WITHOUT HAVING THE MECHANISM THAT AFFORDS THE BUILDING TRADES
14 AN OPPORTUNITY TO DEAL WITH THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
15 AGREEMENTS THEY CURRENTLY HAVE. SO WE SAW THE PROJECT LABOR
16 AGREEMENT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE MANY OF THE GOALS THAT
17 WE HAVE IN PLACE AND AGAIN OVER THE LAST TEN YEARS WE HAVE
18 BEEN SUCCESSFUL.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT I'D LIKE TO CALL ON
21 REVEREND MARVIS DAVIS, PLEASE. SANDRA DAVIS. MARVIN KROPKE?
22 ARE THEY HERE? IF YOU WOULD COME UP AND JOIN US. AND ERNEST
23 ROBERTS. AND WE ARE LIMITING IT TO ONE MINUTE. AND WE'RE GOING
24 TO GO FOR 30 MINUTES. SO AT A QUARTER TO 12, WE'RE GOING TO



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1 CUT OUT THE PUBLIC COMMENT. ALL RIGHT. REVEREND, IF YOU'D
2 BEGIN.

3

4 **REV. MARVIS DAVIS:** GOOD MORNING TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
5 TO CHAIRPERSON AND TO ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS. I AM MARVIS
6 DAVIS. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE
7 OF LOS ANGELES AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA VICINITY. I'M ALSO HERE
8 WITH DR. J. BENJAMIN HARDWICK WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE
9 WESTERN BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION. AND WE HAVE OTHER MEMBERS OF
10 THE CLERGY, PASTORS AND MINISTERS THAT ARE ALSO PRESENT TODAY.
11 AND WE WE'RE HERE TO COMMEND THE SUPERVISORS, SUPERVISOR MARK
12 RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND FOR HIS VISION. AND
13 WE'RE COMING TO GIVE FULL SUPPORT IN FAVOR OF TAKING THE NEXT
14 STEP. WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY ON BEHALF OF THE
15 CLERGY AND CHURCHES, OVER 300 CHURCHES, WELL OVER 600 PASTORS
16 AND MINISTERS THAT ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE LOCAL HIRING FOR
17 THESE LOCAL PROJECTS IN THE TIME OF RECESSION. THIS IS AN
18 ANSWER TO PRAYER. WITHOUT A VISION, THE PEOPLE PERISH. THE
19 PEOPLE WILL WORK WHEN THERE ARE JOBS. AND THERE ARE JOBS
20 AVAILABLE FOR THIS ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, FOR OUR COMMUNITIES
21 THAT IS HARDEST HIT AT THIS TIME OF RECESSION. I WILL SAY THAT
22 IT IS A RECESSION IN OUR TIME BUT NOT WITH THE LORD. AND SO
23 HERE ARE JOBS FOR OUR PEOPLE. AND OUR PEOPLE ARE EXCITED ABOUT
24 THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.
25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] AGAIN CAN I ASK YOU
2 NOT TO DO THAT? THERE YOU GO. GOT IT. [LAUGHTER.] MISS DAVIS?
3

4 **REV. MARVIS DAVIS:** PREACH IT.
5

6 **SAUNDRA DAVIS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SAUNDRA DAVIS AND I'M
7 THE DIRECTOR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND C.E.O. OF COMMUNITY
8 CENTERS INC., A.K.A., THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES WORK SOURCE
9 CENTER. MY PRESIDENT OF MY BOARD, JOHN DEACON, WANTED TO ALSO
10 BE HERE. HE THOUGHT THIS WAS SO IMPORTANT, BUT CIRCUMSTANCES
11 WOULDN'T ALLOW. FIRST I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS FOR REALIZING THE CONCERNS OF SO MANY WORKERS
13 ABOUT THE PROJECT AND THE P.L.A.S. IT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT YOU
14 KNOW THAT THERE ARE TOO MANY WORKERS NOT WORKING, NOT BECAUSE
15 THEY DON'T WANT TO BUT BECAUSE OF CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND THEIR
16 CONTROL. OUT OF THE 143 PARTICIPANTS WE PUT TO WORK IN THE
17 FAITH-BASED INITIATIVE, ONLY 10 PERCENT OF THEM CONTINUED TO
18 BE EMPLOYED. THERE ARE TOO MANY QUALIFIED, CERTIFIED,
19 UNIONIZED WORKERS WHO HAVE FOUND THEMSELVES IN A SITUATION
20 THAT HAS DEEMED THEM UNABLE TO SUPPORT THEMSELVES OR THEIR
21 FAMILIES. THEY FIND THEMSELVES INCLUDED IN QUOTAS THAT
22 DECREASE THE RATE OF RETENTION, NO JOB STAYING POWER. AS THE
23 DIRECTOR OF ONE OF THE LARGEST WORK SOURCE CENTERS IN THE CITY
24 OF LOS ANGELES, I ASK TODAY THAT YOU HELP REMEDY THIS
25 SITUATION BY ADDRESSING THE WORDING IN THE P.L.A. HOPEFULLY



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1 THERE IS A P.L.A. THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT CONTINUES TO
2 ADDRESS THE SOCIAL ILLS BUT NOT REALLY ALL THE ETHNIC
3 DISPARITY OR RETENTION. THE WORD MINORITY IS TOO BROAD AND CAN
4 JUST AS EASILY ELIMINATE SOME FROM THE WORKFORCE, AFRICAN-
5 AMERICANS SPECIFICALLY. LET'S UNIFY TO CHANGE THE LANGUAGE IN
6 THE P.L.A. TO ALSO ADDRESS RETENTION AND PUT THESE WORKERS
7 BACK TO WORK UTILIZING MORE INCLUSIVE LOCAL HIRE METHODS
8 THROUGH INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE IN THE P.L.A., THE PROJECT LABOR
9 AGREEMENT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. KROPKE?

12

13 **MARTIN KROPKE:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. THANK YOU
14 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
15 THOMAS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AROUND THIS ISSUE. MY NAME IS
16 MARTIN KROPKE, AND I'M THE BUSINESS MANAGER FOR I.B.W. LOCAL
17 UNION 11 REPRESENTING OVER 8,000 ELECTRICIANS THROUGHOUT LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT MOVING FORWARD WITH
19 THE MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL REPLACEMENT PROJECT. IN
20 TODAY'S ECONOMY, ALL OF US ARE SUFFERING. OUR LOCAL UNION IS
21 CURRENTLY DEALING WITH A 40 PERCENT UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, AS IS
22 MANY OTHER BUILDING TRADES UNIONS. PUTTING PEOPLE BACK TO WORK
23 IS OUR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY. BUT WE ALSO NEED TO ENSURE THAT
24 THE JOBS WE CREATE ARE GOOD MIDDLE CLASS JOBS AND THAT THE
25 MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO FILL



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1 THESE JOBS. THAT'S WHY WE SUPPORT MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS
2 PROJECT, WITH THE LOCAL HIRE PROGRAM AND A PROJECT LABOR
3 AGREEMENT. LOCAL HIRE IS IN OUR D.N.A. THROUGH OUR
4 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS, WE'VE BEEN GIVING LOCAL RESIDENTS THE
5 SKILLS AND TRAINING SO THEY HAVE NOT JUST A SINGLE JOB, ONE
6 DONE, BUT A GOOD MIDDLE CLASS CAREER IN THE CONSTRUCTION
7 INDUSTRY. AND ULTIMATELY IT'S THROUGH A PROJECT LABOR
8 AGREEMENT THAT WE HAVE MADE LOCAL HIRE REAL. FINALLY, A
9 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT ENSURES THAT PROJECTS LIKE THE M.L.K.
10 HOSPITAL ARE BUILT ON TIME, ON BUDGET AND WITH THE HIGHEST
11 LEVEL OF LABOR AND WORK SAFETY STANDARDS. I URGE THIS BOARD TO
12 APPROVE MOVING FORWARD ON THIS PROJECT TODAY SO THAT WE CAN
13 PROVIDE MUCH NEEDED SERVICES TO THIS COMMUNITY AND PUT PEOPLE
14 BACK TO WORK. THANK YOU. MR. ROBERTS? BUT BEFORE MR. ROBERTS
15 COME UP, COULD I ASK RICHARD SCHLOSSEN TO JOIN US, GREG AKILI
16 AND SINETTA FARLEY. THANK YOU. MR. ROBERTS?

17

18 **ERNEST ROBERTS:** MY NAME IS ERNEST ROBERTS, I'M EXECUTIVE
19 DIRECTOR OF PLAYA VISTA JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND BUSINESS
20 SERVICES. WE'RE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION SERVING THE LOS
21 ANGELES AREA. I'M ALSO A BOARD MEMBER OF THE UNITED JOB
22 CREATION COUNCIL. OVER THE YEARS, ABOUT 12 YEARS SINCE P.V.
23 JOBS HAVE BEEN IN EXISTENCE, WE'VE SERVICED APPROXIMATELY 30,
24 MAYBE A FEW MORE PROJECTS, WITH LOCAL AND AT RISK HIRING
25 PROVISIONS. WE'VE DONE OVER 3,500 PLACEMENTS IN THE



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1 CONSTRUCTION TRADES FOR LOCAL INDIVIDUALS. WE HAVE A
2 COLLABORATIVE OF OVER 90 ORGANIZATIONS ALL WORKING TOGETHER ON
3 THIS INITIATIVE. I CAN TELL YOU, AS A MATTER OF PRACTICAL
4 EXPERIENCE, THAT THE BEST WAY-- AND I'VE WORKED ON PROJECTS
5 WHERE THERE HAS BEEN NO PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT AND I'VE
6 WORKED ON PROJECTS WHERE THERE IS A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS--
7 THE BEST WAY TO FACILITATE A LOCAL HIRING PROGRAM THAT
8 SERVICES YOUR CONSTITUENTS IS TO USE THE PROJECT LABOR
9 AGREEMENT. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.
10 I'M GOING TO STAY UNDER. MR. SCHLOSSEN, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR
11 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. MR. GREG AKILI AND SINETTA FARLEY. MISS
12 FARLEY?

13

14 **SINETTA FARLEY:** GOOD MORNING.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IF WE CAN MOVE ON.

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18 **SINETTA FARLEY:** I COME IN SUPPORT OF THIS PARTICULAR
19 INITIATIVE. BUT I ALSO HAVE A CONCERN. AND MY CONCERN IS THAT
20 WHEN THOSE PROJECTS THAT ARE FUNDED THROUGH COMMUNITY
21 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONS, THAT
22 ALSO WE HAVE A LOCAL HIRE. BECAUSE IN MANY INSTANCES, OUR
23 LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE NOT HIRED, ESPECIALLY WHEN SUBCONTRACTORS
24 ARE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRING THEIR OWN PEOPLE ON. SO I DO
25 SUPPORT THIS LOCAL HIRE PROJECT. BUT I ALSO ASK YOU TO LOOK AT



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1 OTHER PROJECTS THAT ARE FUNDED THROUGH THE COMMUNITY
2 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, WE FACE THAT ISSUE.
3 AND I WON'T GO INTO IT. BUT IT IS A PROBLEM. AND I THINK THAT
4 ALL PROJECTS SHOULD HAVE A LOCAL HIRE INITIATIVE. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. COULD I ALSO ASK RICHARD
7 RAMIREZ TO JOIN US? ANAIZ DIAZ, AS WELL AS JANICE LAUDERDALE.
8 MR. SCHLOSSEN?

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10 **RICHARD SCHLOSSEN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU ALL
11 THE SUPERVISORS FOR ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE. IT'S A VITAL ONE TO
12 EVERY COMMUNITY. LOCAL HIRING, MAKING SURE PEOPLE FROM LOS
13 ANGELES ARE TAXPAYERS ARE WORKING ON OUR PROJECTS. I WANT TO
14 THANK SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR MOVING THIS FORWARD. A
15 COUPLE OF ISSUES HAVE COME UP IN THE REPORT THAT YOU RECEIVED
16 FROM THE COMPANY THAT DID THE OVERALL REVIEW OF PROJECT LABOR
17 AGREEMENTS. AND IT WAS-- ONE WAS COST. THIS PROJECT BEING
18 COVERED BY A LOCAL HIRING AGREEMENT AND A PROJECT LABOR
19 AGREEMENT WOULD HAVE NO ADDED COST. IT DOES NOT NEED EXTRA
20 PROJECT MANAGEMENT. THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT WITH THE COUNTY
21 ALREADY EXISTS. THE NEGOTIATION ALSO WAS AN ISSUE THAT MAY
22 TAKE A LONG TIME TO NEGOTIATE THIS AGREEMENT. WE HAVE
23 NEGOTIATED AGREEMENTS IN ONE SESSION. THESE AGREEMENTS ARE NOT
24 NEW. WE HAVE USED THESE AGREEMENTS FOR 12 YEARS WITH PUBLIC
25 AGENCIES HERE WITH GREAT SUCCESS. I'VE PASSED OUT THREE



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1 DOCUMENTS. ONE IS A REVIEW OF PROJECT COSTS FROM THE CITY OF
2 LOS ANGELES CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, ONE THAT HAS A
3 REVIEW OF SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION WITH THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED
4 SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND ALSO TWO SHEETS ON THE COST, BOTH THE
5 ENGINEERS' ESTIMATE AND THE BIDS THAT WERE TURNED IN, THAT
6 SHOW A 40 PERCENT LOWER BID THAN THE ENGINEERS' ESTIMATES FOR
7 THEIR PROJECTS. THAT IS WHAT WE WERE EXPERIENCING, ANYWAY, IN
8 EVERY AGREEMENT. THESE AGREEMENTS SAVE MONEY. THEY DO NOT COST
9 EXTRA MONEY. YOU GET A TOP NOTCH PROJECT, QUALITY CONTRACTORS,
10 QUALITY CRAFTSMEN, AND YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR. THANK YOU
11 VERY MUCH. AND IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I KNOW IT'S A SHORT
12 TIME, BUT IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO
13 TRY TO ANSWER THEM FOR YOU.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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17 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MR. RAMIREZ?

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19 **RICHARD RAMIREZ:** TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
20 RICHARD R. RAMIREZ, THE PASTOR OF EMANUAL HOUSE OF WORSHIP,
21 8417 SOUTH CENTRAL AVENUE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND IT'S
22 JUST AN HONOR TO BE HERE. AND WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO OUR
23 SUPERVISOR, HONORABLE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR YOUR VISION, THE
24 GREAT WORK AND FOR FEELING OUR CONCERNS AND OUR PAINS IN OUR
25 COMMUNITY. IT IS SAID THAT IN EVERY DIFFICULTY THERE IS AN



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1 OPPORTUNITY. AND THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO LIFT OUR
2 COMMUNITY OUT OF THE DARK TIMES. WE NEED JOBS IN OUR
3 COMMUNITIES. OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE READY, ARE WILLING, ARE
4 SKILLFUL, QUALIFIED TO DO THESE JOBS THAT ARE BEING OFFERED.
5 SO WE'RE HERE TO GIVE 100 PERCENT SUPPORT TO THIS PROPOSAL.
6 AND OUR PRAYERS IS THAT GOD WILL CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU,
7 REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS, AND WE'RE READY TO GO TO WORK. GOD
8 BLESS YOU. THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. EMANUAL HOUSE OF
9 WORSHIP IS THERE TO FACILITATE YOU IN ANY WAY WE CAN TO HELP
10 THIS GREAT PROJECT. GOD BLESS YOU.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SOMEBODY'S NOT GETTING THE
13 CLAPPING DOWN, BUT THANK YOU. MISS DIAZ?

14

15 **ANAIZ DIAZ:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS
16 ANAIZ DIAZ AND I'M A STUDENT AT YOUTH BUILD CHARTER SCHOOL.
17 YOUTH BUILD IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT HELPS AT-RISK
18 YOUTH. ATTENDING YOUTH BUILD BENEFITS US THE STUDENTS IN THREE
19 DIFFERENT WAYS. FIRST, WE NOW HAVE THE CHANCE TO EARN OUR HIGH
20 SCHOOL DIPLOMAS WHICH WILL EXPAND OUR OPPORTUNITIES TO FURTHER
21 SUCCEED IN OUR COMMUNITIES. SECOND WE NOW HAVE THE CHANCE TO
22 GAIN JOB TRAINING IN THE CONSTRUCTION FIELD WHICH WILL GIVE US
23 THE OPPORTUNITY TO LITERALLY REBUILD OUR COMMUNITIES. AND
24 THIRD WE HAVE THE CHANCE TO ACHIEVE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND
25 LIFE SKILLS TRAINING WHICH WILL ALLOW US THE OPPORTUNITY TO



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1 BECOME ACTIVE AND DEVELOP OUR COMMUNITIES. WE ARE HERE BECAUSE
2 WE SUPPORT THIS PROPOSAL. THIS PROPOSAL IS JUST WHAT WE NEED
3 TO CREATE A BETTER AND GREAT OPPORTUNITY. PROVIDING JOBS IS
4 WHAT WE NEED TO GET OUR COMMUNITY BACK ON TRACK. APPROVING
5 THIS PROPOSAL WILL START A TREND TO PROMOTE JOBS ONE AT A TIME
6 WHEN FINDING EMPLOYMENT SEEMS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE. NOT ONLY WILL
7 APPROVING THIS PROPOSAL CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES, BUT ALSO IT
8 WILL TAKE THE INITIATIVE TO MAKE A CHANGE IN LOW INCOME
9 COMMUNITIES. WE ARE HERE BECAUSE THIS IS IMPORTANT TO US.
10 AFTER YOUTH BUILD, WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR WORK. MORE SO WE
11 WILL BE LOOKING TO CREATE A CHANGE AND REBUILD OUR
12 COMMUNITIES. YOUTH BUILD HAS GIVEN ME A SMALL BUT REALLY
13 PROFOUND OPPORTUNITY TO BETTER MY LIFE AND ALSO TO BETTER THE
14 LIVES OF--

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MISS DIAZ, YOUR TIME IS UP. I
17 APOLOGIZE. MISS LAUDERDALE?

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19 **ANAIZ DIAZ:** THANK YOU.

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21 **JANICE LAUDERDALE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JANICE LAUDERDALE.
22 AND TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEMBERS AND A
23 SPECIAL COMMENDATION TO MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR. THANK
24 YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY YOU WERE INTERRUPTED. GO AHEAD.

2

3 **JANICE LAUDERDALE:** AS I SAID MY NAME IS JANICE LAUDERDALE. I
4 AM THE FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES
5 ASSOCIATION AGAINST ELDER ABUSE. AND WE ARE OFFERING FREE
6 TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL SKILLS TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE SECOND
7 DISTRICT, AGES 18 THROUGH 80. I COULD BE CONTACTED AT JANICE
8 LAUDERDALE, THE NUMBER 24 AT GMAIL.COM OR AREA CODE 310-515-
9 1646. THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF WE COULD HAVE TAYLOR
12 MAYFIELD, JOHN HERNANDEZ, ROBERT SMITH, BRAD CARSON. SIR, YOU
13 ARE?

14

15 **GREG AKILI:** GREG AKILI.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. COULD THE OTHERS COME UP, PLEASE? GO
18 AHEAD, SIR.

19

20 **GREG AKILI:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND MADAME
21 CHAIR. MY NAME'S AKILI, AND I'M THE NATIONAL REP FOR THE
22 N.A.A.C.P. AND A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES BLACK WORKERS'
23 CENTER. WE SUPPORT THE CONSTRUCTION CAREER P.L.A. POLICY
24 BECAUSE WE KNOW HISTORICALLY THAT THE LANE TO ECONOMIC
25 OPPORTUNITY IN THE CONSTRUCTION FIELD FOR WOMEN AND AFRICAN



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1 AMERICANS AVE BEEN RIGGED AND BLOCKED. THE CONSTRUCTION CAREER
2 P.L.A. POLICY IS A STEP TOWARD CORRECTING THAT AND ENSURING
3 QUALIFIED RESIDENTS IN TARGETED ZIP CODES GET ACCESS TO GOOD
4 JOBS THAT ARE FUNDED BY TAX DOLLARS. WE BELIEVE THE BOARD MUST
5 PUSH FOR INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE IN THE R.F.P. PROCESS THAT ECHOES
6 THE COUNTY'S OWN DIVERSITY POLICY AND IS ENFORCED BY THE
7 COUNTY'S OFFICE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE. AND TO WORK
8 WITH THE BLACK WORKERS' CENTER TO EDUCATE WORKERS AND TO HELP
9 IN ENFORCEMENT. WE SUPPORT THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT. IT'S A
10 GOOD STEP. AND WE WANT THE COUNTY TO HAVE A MODEL. THIS CAN DO
11 IT. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. MAYFIELD?

14

15 **TAYLOR MAYFIELD:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
16 CONSTITUENTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT, MY NAME IS TAYLOR
17 MAYFIELD. I'M A LONG TERM MEMBER OF THE EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS.
18 I'M ALSO A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST. I HAVE BEEN INTERFACING WITH
19 COMMUNITY RESIDENTS FOR QUITE SOMETIME AND I CAN TELL YOU
20 FIRSTHAND THAT I HAVE NEVER SEEN THE LOOKS OF DESPAIR,
21 HOPELESSNESS AND DESPERATION THAT I AM WITNESSING FOR THE LAST
22 YEAR BECAUSE OF THE JOBLESS SITUATION. IT IS NO SECRET THAT
23 WHEN PEOPLE COME FROM A DISADVANTAGED BACKGROUND WITH
24 DISPROPORTIONATE EDUCATION, DISPROPORTIONATE HOUSING, AND
25 CERTAINLY DISPROPORTIONATE CRIME ARE THE NORM, IT ONLY STANDS



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1 TO REASON THAT IN THIS DISMAL ECONOMIC TIME, THEY ARE THE
2 HARDEST HIT. IT IS TIMES LIKE THIS THAT YOU, OUR ELECTED
3 OFFICIALS, CAN BEST SERVE YOUR CONSTITUENTS. YOUR COLLEAGUE,
4 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, HAS PRESENTED YOU A PROPOSAL TO
5 ESTABLISH A LOCAL WORKER HIRING POLICY, WHICH WOULD GREATLY
6 BENEFIT THE RESIDENTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT. ON BEHALF OF THE
7 EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT,
8 I ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT THIS PROPOSAL. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. HERNANDEZ?

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12 **JOHN HERNANDEZ:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME
13 IS JOHN HERNANDEZ. I WORK FOR THE WATTS-CENTURY LATINO
14 ORGANIZATION. I AM ALSO A MEMBER OF THE JORDAN DOWNS COMMUNITY
15 ADVISORY COMMITTEE. AS YOU ALL ARE AWARE, THAT THE JORDAN
16 DOWNS PUBLIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE RE-DEVELOPED. SO A
17 NEW DAY IS HAPPENING IN WATTS. I HAVE THE DISTINCT PLEASURE OF
18 REPRESENTING THE BEAUTIFUL COMMUNITY OF WATTS. ONE THING
19 THAT'S NOT MENTIONED IN THE LOCAL HIRING PRACTICE OR THE
20 COMMENTS ARE THE SOCIAL CONDITION OR THE ISSUE THAT MANY OF
21 OUR YOUNG ADULTS AND GROWN INDIVIDUALS, AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND
22 LATINOS, FACE THROUGHOUT THIS DIRE SITUATION IS THE FACT THAT
23 MANY OF US OF OUR FOLKS IN THE COMMUNITY ARE NOT ABLE TO
24 ACCESS THESE JOBS BECAUSE OF OUR FELONY RECORDS. AND MOST OF
25 OUR INDIVIDUALS ARE QUALIFIED AND HAVE THE SKILLS BUT YET



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1 WE'RE STILL NOT ABLE TO BE HIRED FOR THESE JOBS AND POSITIONS.
2 SO HOW CAN THIS LOCAL JOB ORDINANCE ADDRESS THAT ISSUE? THANK
3 YOU.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ROBERT SMITH FOLLOWED BY
6 BRAD CARSON.

7

8 **KEVIN BASS:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. ACTUALLY MY
9 NAME IS KEVIN BASS. I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ROBERT SMITH.
10 AND I REPRESENT THE PAINTERS AND L.A. TRADES, DISTRICT COUNCIL
11 36. AND WE HAVE ABOUT 11,000 WORKERS IN THE SOUTHERN
12 CALIFORNIA AREA. I'M HERE TO GIVE OUR FULL SUPPORT FOR THE
13 LOCAL HIRE PROGRAM AND THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT FOR THE
14 M.L.K. HOSPITAL REPLACEMENT PROJECT. MOVING THIS REDEVELOPMENT
15 FORWARD WILL BRING CRITICAL SERVICES TO THIS COMMUNITY. AND WE
16 ALL KNOW THAT WE NEED THAT. BUT IT WILL ALSO ENSURE THAT
17 TAXPAYER DOLLARS ACTUALLY LEAD TO GOOD MIDDLE CLASS JOBS FOR
18 LOCAL COMMUNITIES. AND MY UNION, THE PAINTERS AND ALLIED
19 TRADES, HAVE 30 PERCENT OF PEOPLE OUT OF WORK. WE'RE STILL
20 VERY COMMITTED TO LOCAL HIRE. AND WE SUPPORT IT BECAUSE IT
21 ENSURES THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO STAY IN THESE COMMUNITIES.
22 OUR APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM GIVES LOCAL RESIDENTS THE
23 OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN THE SKILLS OF OUR AFFILIATED CRAFTS
24 WHILE EARNING A GOOD WAGE. AND THIS WILL LEAD TO A CAREER, NOT



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1 JUST A JOB. SO AGAIN I URGE THIS BOARD TO MOVE FORWARD WITH
2 THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOU'RE MR. CARSON?

5

6 **BRAD CARSON:** YES, MA'AM.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD. BEFORE YOU SPEAK. LET ME CALL UP A
9 COUPLE. JAY ELDRIDGE TAYLOR. TIMOTHY WATKINS. ARTURO YBARRA,
10 AND LINDA GUZMAN. PLEASE, SIR.

11

12 **BRAD CARSON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. SPECIAL THANKS TO THE
13 HONORABLE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS HISTORIC LOCAL HIRING
14 POLICY. MY NAME IS BRAD CARSON. I'VE BEEN GETTING JOBS FOR
15 FELONS, MOSTLY GANG MEMBERS, FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS. THIS TYPE
16 OF POLICY IS MUCH NEEDED BECAUSE MY MOTTO IS: JOBS CREATE
17 PEACE. WHERE THERE IS NO JOBS, THERE IS NO PEACE. AS FATHER
18 GREG BOYLE WOULD SAY, NOTHING STOPS THE BULLET LIKE A JOB. WE
19 ARE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS LOCAL HIRING POLICY. WE'VE BEEN
20 DOING THIS FOR WELL OVER 20 YEARS. THE LAST 12 YEARS WE'VE
21 BEEN DOING LOCAL HIRE WITHOUT A P.L.A. AND THE LAST TEN YEARS
22 WE'VE BEEN DOING LOCAL HIRES WITH THE P.L.A. I HIGHLY
23 RECOMMEND THAT THE P.L.A. WITH THE JOB COORDINATOR BE IN
24 PLACE. WITHOUT THAT, IT DOES NOT WORK. WE KNOW WHAT WORKS. WE



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1 KNOW HOW TO WORK IT. WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF YOU ALL THE WAY.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. TAYLOR?

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6 **J. ELDRIDGE TAYLOR:** I'M J. ELDRIDGE TAYLOR, JR., THE EXECUTIVE
7 DIRECTOR OF THE J.E.T. FOUNDATION WHERE WE ADDRESS CHANGE AND
8 IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL HEALTH DISPARITIES THAT
9 ADVERSELY AND DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECT BLACK AND LATINO YOUTH
10 IN A WAY THAT ERADICATES POVERTY. ONE OF OUR PROGRAMS IS THE
11 YOUTH LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS INSTITUTE ON THE CAMPUS OF L.A.
12 SOUTHWEST COLLEGE, WHERE WE WORK WITH STUDENTS FROM THE
13 KINDERGARTEN TO 12TH GRADE BOYS AND GIRLS BLACK AND BROWN
14 THROUGH FINANCIAL LITERACY, COMMUNICATIONS SKILL BUILDING,
15 LEADERSHIP SKILL BUILDING AND ACADEMIC TUTORING. WE ARE 100
16 PERCENT IN FAVOR OF THIS INITIATIVE AT M.L.K., THE LOCAL HIRE.
17 WE WERE SHARING WITH OUR STUDENTS TO LIVE THEIR DREAMS. IN
18 ORDER TO LIVE THEIR DREAMS, THEY HAVE TO HAVE HOPE. BUT BEYOND
19 HOPE, THERE NEEDS TO BE OPPORTUNITY. AND SO WE THANK YOU, MARK
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR PUTTING THIS INITIATIVE FORWARD. AND WE ASK
21 THAT ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS BE ON ONE ACCORD AND BE ABLE TO
22 SUPPORT AND PASS THIS P.L.A. BUT NOT ONLY PASS IT, BUT HAVE
23 ENFORCEMENT, AS WELL. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. WATKINS?



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2 **TIM WATKINS:** YES. I'M TIM WATKINS FROM THE WATTS LABOR
3 COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE. I'M ITS PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. AND
4 I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE INITIATIVE AND WANTED TO COMMEND
5 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS LEADERSHIP FOR PUSHING THIS
6 FORWARD. I THINK THAT TRUE TO WHAT THE LAST GENTLEMAN STATED
7 WHEN HE SAID SOMETHING ABOUT HOW JOBS REDUCE VIOLENCE, OR JOBS
8 REDUCE ANGUISH, JOBS REDUCE DESPERATION. CERTAINLY JOBS CURE
9 THE PROBLEM OF POVERTY. AND IN OUR COMMUNITY, IN THE WATTS
10 COMMUNITY AND PART OF S.P.A. 6, WE SUCH SOME OF THE GREATEST
11 HEALTH DISPARITIES IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ENTIRETY. AND SO
12 MY ADVOCACY IS NOT ONLY FOR THE LOCAL JOB HIRING INITIATIVE,
13 BUT FOR THE GROUPS THAT PROMOTE OR PRODUCE THE LOCAL JOB
14 HIRING PROCESS BECAUSE AFTER HAVING BEEN THERE FOR 45 YEARS,
15 MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL WAS ONE OF THE FIRST THAT WE
16 PROMOTED JOBS FOR. AND I'D LIKE TO CONTINUE THAT, AS WELL.
17 THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. YBARRA.

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21 **ARTURO YBARRA:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR, HONORABLE
22 SUPERVISORS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS ARTURO YBARRA.
23 I'M THE FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WATTS CENTURY
24 LATINO ORGANIZATION. FOR THE LAST 19 YEARS, THIS ORGANIZATION
25 HAS BEEN PROVIDING DIFFERENT KINDS OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO



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1 WATTS, WILLOWBROOK AND OTHER PARTS OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES,
2 INCLUDING ADJACENT UNINCORPORATED CITIES. THE REASON WE ARE
3 HERE IS BECAUSE WE WANT TO MANIFEST OUR STRONG SUPPORT TO THE
4 PROPOSAL OF OUR SECOND DISTRICT SUPERVISOR, MARK RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS, TO ENSURE THAT THE \$145 MILLION CLINIC BEING BUILT
6 NEXT TO THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOSPITAL INCLUDES A LOCAL
7 WORKER HIRING REQUIREMENT THAT SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED BY A
8 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT. THIS AGREEMENT WILL DETERMINE THE 30
9 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL CONSTRUCTION HOURS BE RESERVED FOR
10 WORKERS IN THE CONSTRUCTION TRADES WHO LIVE WITHIN A FIVE MILE
11 RADIUS IN ZIP CODES WITH 19.5 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

14

15 **ARTURO YBARRA:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** LINDA GUZMAN?

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19 **LINDA GUZMAN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
20 LINDA GUZMAN AND I'M SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF THE LOCAL WORKER
21 HIRING PROGRAM. LAST MONTH, I WAS FORTUNATE, ALONG WITH 50
22 YOUTH, TO BE HIRED THROUGH M.J. AND AMIGOS. LUCKILY BECAUSE OF
23 STIMULUS MONEY, WE ALL HAD EMPLOYMENT. AS OF SEPTEMBER 30TH,
24 47 OF US ARE UNEMPLOYED. SO I WAS HERE TO TELL YOU I WAS LUCKY
25 TO HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY, GAIN SKILLS. AND I KNOW THAT MANY OF



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1 US ARE TALENTED AND WANT TO WORK. WE JUST NEED THE
2 OPPORTUNITY. I ASK THAT YOU PLEASE VOTE IN FAVOR. THANK YOU
3 FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A GREAT DAY.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. IF WE COULD
6 HAVE MICHAEL CURTIS, GREGORY CURRY, WESLEY FOSTER AND ROBERT
7 SMITH JOIN US. ALL RIGHT, IF YOU WOULD BEGIN, MR. CURTIS.

8

9 **MICHAEL CURTIS:** YES, MY NAME IS MICHAEL CURTIS. I'M A STUDENT
10 AT LOS ANGELES DRAKE TECH COLLEGE AND WEST WILSHIRE
11 OCCUPATIONAL CENTER. I JUST ENROLLED. THE P.L.A. IS A GOOD
12 PROGRAM FOR THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE IT GIVES ME HOPE. DEFINITELY
13 ME BECAUSE I'M SEARCHING FOR A JOB. AND I'LL JUST TAKE ANY
14 PROGRAM THAT I CAN GET INTO THAT'S GOING TO GIVE ME AN
15 OPPORTUNITY AND A CHANCE TO WORK, TO JUST BE ABLE TO CONTINUE
16 MY EDUCATION AND SUPPORT MY KIDS. SO I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE
17 IT IF YOU WOULD TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT IT AND ENFORCE THE
18 DISPARITIES. AND THE RACIAL DISCRIMINATIONS ON THE JOB. AND TO
19 MAKE SURE WE DON'T JUST WORK A WEEK AND GET LAID OFF. PUT SOME
20 TIME TO PUT SOME MONEY AND FOOD IN OUR POCKETS AND IN OUR
21 MOUTHS. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. CURRY?

24



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1 **GREGORY CURRY:** YES. GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS
2 GREGORY CURRY. I'M REPRESENTING THE WILLOWBROOK DISTRICT.
3 THANK YOU, MR. MARK THOMAS FOR THIS PROPOSAL. WE NEED IT. I'VE
4 WATCHED HIGH SCHOOL BEING BUILT AND I DIDN'T HAVE AN
5 OPPORTUNITY, NONE OF US HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON THAT
6 PROJECT. I WATCHED THE SHOPPING PLAZA GET BUILT. AND WE DIDN'T
7 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON THAT PROJECT. WE WATCHED MANY,
8 MANY THINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY BEING BUILT IN REGARDS TO M.L.K.
9 AND I'LL STAND HERE TODAY TO SAY THAT WE ARE, AS A COMMUNITY,
10 WE DO HAVE PEOPLE THAT'S WILLING TO WORK. AND WE NEED
11 OPPORTUNITIES. NOT ONLY DO WE ASK YOU TO APPROVE THIS
12 PROPOSAL, BUT WE ASK YOU TO APPROVE IT AND MAKE SURE THAT WE
13 KEEP JOBS AND THE OPPORTUNITY STAYS OPEN. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO
14 SAY, YOU KNOW, IT'S A LOT OF HEALTHY PEOPLE OUT THERE THAT ARE
15 WILLING TO WORK. AND THERE'S A LOT OF REPRESENTING THEIR
16 GRANDKIDS AND EVERYTHING BECAUSE WE NEED WORK TO KEEP OUR
17 HOMES AND OUR COMMUNITIES SAFE AND EVERYTHING ELSE. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. SMITH? OR ARE YOU MR.
20 FOSTER?

21

22 **WESLEY FOSTER:** FOSTER.

23

24 **SUP.MR. FOSTER.**

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1 >>SPEAKER: MY NAME IS WESLEY FOSTER. I'D LIKE TO THANK MR.
2 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR THE THINGS THINGS THAT HE DID. HE SAID
3 HE CAME OVER TO WILLOWBROOK AND SAID HE WOULD HELP US GET
4 MARTIN LUTHER KING BACK ON THE RIGHT TRACK. THIS DAY I SAY
5 FROM WHEN I SAW YOU DR. GLASS CAME OVER THERE AND SPOKE TO US,
6 WE SAID WE VOTED. DON'T YOU FORGET ABOUT WILLOWBROOK. HE DID
7 NOT FORGET ABOUT WILLOWBROOK AND I THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM
8 OF MY HEART THAT YOU LOOKED OUT FOR US. I THANK YOU FOR ALL
9 YOU'RE DOING FOR US TO HELP US NOW, AND CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR
10 US. I SAY YES WE CAN DO THIS. IF YOU KEEP HELPING US, WE CAN
11 STAND UP AND HELP YOU BACK. GIVE US A FIGHTING CHANCE. THANK
12 YOU.

13

14 SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. WE HAVE A COUPLE OF
15 MINUTES. MR. SMITH WASN'T HERE. CARL POWELL? PRESTON YOUNG AND
16 WILL SCOTT. AND THOSE WILL BE OUR LAST SPEAKERS.

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18 CARL POWELL: HELLO. MY NAME IS CARL POWELL, R.N. I'M HERE TO
19 ADDRESS THE INITIATIVE FOR THE P.L.A. AND THE WORK PROJECT
20 THAT IS GOING ON IN THE WILLOWBROOK AREA CONCERNING MARTIN
21 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. IN ADDITION, I WANT TO POINT OUT AS THE
22 GENTLEMAN SPOKE EARLIER ABOUT THE 10 PERCENT, THE
23 DISADVANTAGED IN OUR COMMUNITY. I SEE LOTS OF ABLE WORKING 30
24 TO 40-YEAR-OLD MEN THAT SHOULD BE OUT SUPPORTING THEIR FAMILY,
25 HOWEVER THEY'RE LAYING AROUND, LOITERING IN THE STREETS



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1 LOOKING LIKE GANG MEMBERS, BEING ACCOSTED BY THE SHERIFF FOR
2 NO REASON OTHER THAN JUST STOPPING FOR ANYTHING. AND THESE
3 PEOPLE HAVE ONE THING ON THEIR RECORD: THEY HAVE AN F. IT'S
4 DOES NOT MEAN FRAUDULENT. IT DOES NOT MEAN ANY MESS UP. IT
5 MEANS THEY HAD ONE BAD THING ON THEIR RECORD, MAYBE CARRYING A
6 GUN, GOT A FELONY, GOT IN TROUBLE ONCE IN TIME PAID THEIR
7 PRICE, AND I BELIEVE THEY OUGHT TO HAVE THOSE JOBS. 10 PERCENT
8 REALLY IS NOT HIGH ENOUGH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **WILL SCOTT:** YES, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS WILL
11 SCOTT. I'M AN ORGANIZER WITH SHEET METAL WORKERS LOCAL 105. I
12 STAND HERE IN SUPPORT, FULL SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL HIRE
13 PROVISION TIED WITH THE P.L.A. MY JOB AS AN ORGANIZER IS TO
14 MONITOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS TO ENSURE THAT CONTRACTORS ARE
15 COMPLYING WITH PREVAILING WAGE LAWS. PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS
16 HAVE BUILT-IN MECHANISMS TO ALLOW ME TO DO MY JOB PROPERLY AND
17 TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE RESIDENTS WHO ARE HIRED ON THESE
18 PROJECTS ARE PROPERLY PAID. AND THE LOCAL HIRE PROVISION I
19 THINK IS JUST AN EXCELLENT IDEA THAT ALLOWS LOCAL RESIDENTS
20 WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE PUBLICLY FINANCED
21 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. AND SO ONCE AGAIN, I'M IN FULL SUPPORT.
22 THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR? YOU ALREADY SPOKE? ALL RIGHT. THAT
25 CONCLUDES OUR SPEAKERS.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE'D LIKE EVERYONE TO PLEASE STAND WHO
5 CAME HERE TO SUPPORT THIS ITEM. YOU CAN APPLAUD. [APPLAUSE.]
6 ALL RIGHT. NOW YOU CAN SIT. NOW YOU CAN SIT. WE'VE GIVEN YOU
7 AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. AND NOW WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS
8 ITEM. SO WE ARE GOING TO HAVE OUR C.E.O. COME UP AND HIS FOLKS
9 HAVE A PRESENTATION. AND THEN WE'LL HAVE QUESTIONS FROM
10 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, WITH YOUR PERMISSION?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SURE.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS THEY COME TO THE PODIUM, MAY I JOIN YOU
17 IN ACKNOWLEDGING THOSE WHO DID TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE
18 FROM THE EMANUAL HOUSE OF WORSHIP, FROM THE ATHENS TASKFORCE,
19 FROM THE FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH, FROM THE WATTS- CENTURY
20 LATINO ORGANIZATION, FROM YOUTH BUILD, FROM LENNOX, FROM EAST
21 RANCHO, SENIORS FROM CAMPANELLA PARK, FROM WILLOWBROOK
22 SENIORS, FROM THE BAPTIST MINISTERS CONFERENCE, FROM THE
23 CONCERNED CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES. WE TAKE NOTE OF YOUR--
24 SOUTH LOS ANGELES, WE TAKE NOTE OF YOUR BEING HERE. AND IT'S
25 WITH A HIGH REGARD FOR WHAT IT IS WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO DO. THE



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1 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ON RECORD WITH RESPECT OF ITS EMBRACE
2 OF THE IMPORTANCE OF A NEW MARTIN LUTHER KING MEDICAL COMPLEX.
3 THIS IS SIMPLY AN EFFORT TO MOVE THAT FORWARD. THIS IS A
4 PUBLIC PROCESS THAT AFFORDS THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE STAKEHOLDERS
5 AN OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON. YOUR TESTIMONY SPOKE
6 TO THE ISSUES. EXPERTS ARE HERE TO HELP US DELIBERATE. MADAME
7 CHAIR, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, I WANT TO COMMENT ON THE LETTER
8 FROM THE C.E.O., PARTICULARLY POINT NO. 4 THAT AUTHORIZES THE
9 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE DIRECTOR OF
10 PUBLIC WORKS TO NEGOTIATE WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VARIOUS
11 BUILDING TRADES THE TERMS OF A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT FOR THE
12 MULTI-SERVICE AMBULATORY CARE CENTER ANCILLARY PROJECT. AND I
13 WANT TO UNDERSCORE, AND THIS IS THE AMENDMENT, THAT IS WITHIN
14 EXISTING PROJECT BUDGET RESOURCES. THERE IS NO COMPELLING
15 REASON WHY THERE SHOULD BE ANY ADDITIONAL EXPENSES INCURRED
16 PURSUING TO PUTTING A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT IN PLACE. THAT
17 IS MY MOTION. I TRUST THAT IT WILL BE SECONDED SO THAT THE
18 BOARD UNDERSTANDS THAT THE MATTER FOR US IS BOTH COST
19 CONTAINMENT EFFICIENCY AND AT THE SAME TIME EQUITY. MADAME
20 CHAIR, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PUT THAT ON THE
21 RECORD. AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN PROCEED ACCORDINGLY.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DID WE HAVE [INAUDIBLE] COMING IN TO
24 SPEAK? WHERE ARE THEY? KEN? DID WE LOSE THEM? OH, HERE WE GO.

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, I'M GOING TO DISTRIBUTE
2 WHILE THEY ARE COMING YET AGAIN THE LETTER FROM THE LOS
3 ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O.
4 SENT A NOTE JUST ESSENTIALLY PUNCTUATING THE POINT THAT THE
5 BOARD'S APPROVAL OF THIS POLICY WILL PRESERVE AT LEAST 30
6 PERCENT OF TOTAL CONSTRUCTION HOURS FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS,
7 THEREBY ENSURING MUCH NEEDED JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN ONE OF THE
8 COUNTY'S HIGHEST UNEMPLOYMENT AREAS. FURTHER LOCAL JOB, JOB
9 TRAINING AS PART OF THE PROJECT REINFORCES THE ORIGINAL
10 PURPOSE OF M.L.K. AS A VITAL COMMUNITY ANCHOR BORNE OUT OF THE
11 ASHES OF THE 1965 WATTS UPRISING. AND, FINALLY, ON BEHALF OF
12 THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, I READ SINCE 2006, THE REOPENING OF
13 THE HOSPITAL HAS BEEN THE L.A. AREA CHAMBER'S TOP REGIONAL
14 PRIORITY AND WE ARE PROUD TO HAVE SERVED ON THE L.A. HEALTH
15 OPTIONS TASKFORCE AND TO HAVE PARTNERED WITH SO MANY LOCAL
16 STAKEHOLDERS IN THIS EFFORT. THE CHAMBER APPLAUDS THE COUNTY'S
17 CONTINUED SUCCESS TO REFORM AND REBUILD THIS CRITICAL PART OF
18 OUR HEALTHCARE SAFETY NET. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE
19 FEEL FREE TO CALL SAM GARRISON OR ME, THAT WOULD BE GARY
20 TOBIN, PRESIDENT AND C.E.O., LOS ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF
21 COMMERCE. THAT IS ESSENTIALLY A SUPPORT LETTER FOR OUR ACTION
22 TODAY, MADAME CHAIR.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. ALL RIGHT. DID Y'ALL
25 HAVE A PRESENTATION ON THIS?



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2 **DAVID HOWARD:** YES, SUPERVISOR. DAVID HOWARD, ASSISTANT DEPUTY
3 DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE LETTER THAT'S BEFORE
4 YOU THIS MORNING ACTUALLY HAS FOUR SEPARATE AND DISCRETE
5 RECOMMENDATIONS. I'LL BE BRIEF. THE FIRST RECOMMENDATION IS A
6 BUDGETARY ISSUE AS FAR AS MOVING THE SCOPE OF ONE OF THE
7 BUILDINGS OF THE PROJECT FROM THE M.A.C.C. PROJECT TO THE
8 INPATIENT TO TOWER. THIS IS PRIMARILY FOR TWO REASONS. ONE,
9 O.S.H.P.O.D. HAS EXERTED JURISDICTION OVER THAT BUILDING, AND
10 ALSO, SECOND, IT WILL FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION IF THAT
11 BUILDING IS BUILT AS PART OF THE INPATIENT TOWER PROJECT
12 RATHER THAN THE M.A.C.C. RECOMMENDATION TWO IS TO APPROVE THE
13 LOCAL WORKER HIRING PROGRAM. AND YOU'VE HEARD A LOT OF
14 TESTIMONY ABOUT THAT THIS MORNING. THE PROGRAM THAT'S PROPOSED
15 WOULD APPLY TO BOTH THE INPATIENT TOWER AND TO THE M.A.C.C.
16 PROJECT. AS IT WAS DESCRIBED. IT'S A TWO-TIER SYSTEM. IT WOULD
17 BE A MANDATORY REQUIREMENT THAT 30 PERCENT OF THE CALIFORNIA
18 LABOR HOURS WOULD BE RESERVED FOR THE LOCAL AREA. AND LOCAL IS
19 DEFINED IN A TWO-TIER SYSTEM, TIER ONE IS THE AREA THAT'S FIVE
20 MILES IN RADIUS AROUND THE HOSPITAL SITE. AND TIER TWO EXTENDS
21 TO ALL THE ZIP CODES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WHERE HE WHERE
22 UNEMPLOYMENT EXCEEDS 150 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY AVERAGE. THE
23 THIRD COMPONENT OF LOCAL WORKER HIRING IS THAT ONE-THIRD OF
24 THAT 30 PERCENT OR 10 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL WOULD ALSO INCLUDE
25 WORKERS THAT HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AS DISADVANTAGED. AND IN THE



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1 BOARD LETTER, IT IDENTIFIES A NUMBER OF CRITERIA UNDER WHICH A
2 PERSON WOULD QUALIFY AS DISADVANTAGED. THIS PROGRAM IS
3 PATTERNED AFTER SIMILAR PROGRAMS THAT MANY AGENCIES IDENTIFIED
4 IN THE LETTER IN THE LOCAL AREA HAVE USED ON OTHER MAJOR
5 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. THIS WAS DONE DELIBERATELY BOTH FOR THE
6 CONVENIENCE OF THE WORKERS AS WELL AS FOR THE CONTRACTORS SO
7 THAT WE COULD MINIMIZE THE COSTS AND MAKE THIS PROGRAM AS
8 EFFICIENT AS POSSIBLE. THE COUNTY HAS NEVER HAD A MANDATORY
9 LOCAL WORKER HIRING PROGRAM. ALL OF OURS IN THE PAST HAVE BEEN
10 ASPIRATIONAL GOALS. BECAUSE THIS IS A MANDATORY PROGRAM,
11 ATTACHED TO YOUR BOARD LETTER IS THE FACTUAL PREDICATE STUDY
12 THAT WE HAD PREPARED FOR THIS THAT IDENTIFIES STATISTICAL
13 INFORMATION JUSTIFYING THE CRITERIA IN THE PROGRAM. THE THIRD
14 RECOMMENDATION IN THE LETTER INVOLVES A SMALL BUSINESS
15 ENTERPRISE PROGRAM, WHICH AGAIN WOULD APPLY TO BOTH THE TOWER
16 AND TO THE M.A.C.C. PROJECTS. THIS BUILDS ON THE FOUNDATION OF
17 OTHER PROGRAMS YOUR BOARD HAS APPROVED TO SUPPORT SMALL AND/OR
18 COMMUNITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES. THIS PROGRAM IS NOT A
19 MANDATORY PROGRAM. AS YOU RECALL, BOTH OF THESE PROJECTS WILL
20 BE BUILT USING DESIGN BUILD RATHER THAN LOW BID, MEANING IT IS
21 A GRADED BEST VALUE SELECTION PROCESS. AND ONE OF THE CRITERIA
22 ON WHICH THE DESIGN BUILDERS WOULD BE SCORED IS THEIR USE OF
23 SMALL BUSINESSES. THE FOURTH AND FINAL RECOMMENDATION APPLIES
24 NOT TO THE INPATIENT TOWER BUT EXCLUSIVELY TO THE M.A.C.C.
25 PART OF THE RATIONALE FOR WHY IT'S LIMITED TO THE M.A.C.C. IS



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1 AS YOU RECALL, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IS CURRENTLY
2 PROVIDING THE OUTPATIENT CARE AT THE SITE IN THE EXISTING
3 M.A.C.C. AND THAT CARE WILL CONTINUE UNINTERRUPTED DURING
4 CONSTRUCTION. SO THE ADDITIONAL TIME REQUIRED TO NEGOTIATE THE
5 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT WILL NOT AFFECT THE PROVISION OF CARE
6 TO THE PUBLIC. YOUR SUPERVISORS ARE AWARE FROM M.T.A., OTHER
7 ORGANIZATIONS THAT THE GENERAL PREMISES OF A PROJECT LABOR
8 AGREEMENT, I WON'T TAKE YOUR TIME TO GO THROUGH THAT IN GREAT
9 DETAIL, BUT IN THE SIMPLEST TERMS, IT WOULD BE AN AGREEMENT
10 BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE BUILDING TRADES, AND IT WOULD TAKE
11 THE PLACE OF A TYPICAL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING. IT DOES NOT
12 REQUIRE THAT THE CONTRACTORS OR THEIR SUBS BE UNION
13 CONTRACTORS. IT SIMPLY REQUIRES THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO COMPLY
14 WITH THE TERMS OF THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT FOR THIS PROJECT
15 ITSELF. ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL REASONS WHY IT'S RECOMMENDED IS
16 THAT IT IS A VEHICLE, AS OTHER SPEAKERS HAVE IDENTIFIED, THAT
17 WOULD FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LOCAL WORKER HIRING ON
18 THE M.A.C.C. ALSO, IT'S VERY COMMONLY HELD THAT HAVING A NO
19 STRIKE PROVISION WOULD HELP US TO AVOID ANY POTENTIAL LABOR
20 DISPUTES THAT COULD IMPACT THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE M.A.C.C.
21 AGAIN, A NUMBER OF OWNERS IN THE AREA HAVE USED PROJECT LABOR
22 AGREEMENTS, AND IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH THESE OWNERS, WE'VE
23 GOTTEN VERY POSITIVE FEEDBACK ON THEIR OUTCOMES. THIS WOULD BE
24 THE FIRST TIME THAT THE COUNTY HAD ENTERED INTO ONE. THAT IS



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1 OUR REPORT AND WE'RE HERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU
2 WOULD HAVE.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANY QUESTIONS FOR SUPERVISOR
5 ANTONOVICH?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WILL YOU BE USING THE PROTOCOLS AND THE
8 PROCESS WITH ESTABLISHED COUNTY POLICY FOR EVALUATING
9 POTENTIAL EMPLOYEES WITH A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND, DETERMINING IF
10 THE CRIME IS A FATAL NEXUS WITH THE JOB?

11

12 **DAVID HOWARD:** YES, SUPERVISOR, WE WILL. AND WE'VE ENTERED INTO
13 DISCUSSIONS WITH HEALTH SERVICES AND COUNTY COUNSEL. AND WE
14 COULD REPORT BACK TO YOUR BOARD ON THE DETAILS OF THAT.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANYONE ELSE?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** OBVIOUSLY WHEN THIS ORIGINALLY APPEARED BEFORE US
21 ON THE AGENDA, IT DID NOT INCLUDE A P.L.A. AND THE P.L.A. WAS
22 ADDED THROUGH A GREEN SHEET ITEM JUST 72 HOURS AGO. I STRONGLY
23 SUPPORT THE ITEM AS PRESENTED ORIGINALLY. I DO HAVE SOME
24 ISSUES AND CONCERNS ABOUT THE P.L.A. WE'VE HEARD SOME GOOD
25 THINGS. WE'VE HEARD SOME BAD THINGS. FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, AT



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1 LEAST, I THINK WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
2 P.L.A. AND ASK THE C.E.O. TO REPORT BACK TO GIVE US SOME
3 TIGHTER EXAMPLES OF HOW THE P.L.A. HAS BEEN USED AND THE GOOD
4 AND THE BAD. MOST CASES YOU HEAR OF P.L.A.S AND COST OVERRUNS.
5 TODAY WE HEARD, NO, THAT'S NOT THE CASE. AND SO AS IT RELATES
6 TO THE ITEM BEFORE US, I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE LOCAL HIRING,
7 STRONGLY SUPPORT MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS WHOLE M.L.K. ISSUE.
8 BUT I'D LIKE TO BIFURCATE THE P.L.A. ISSUE ON THE GREEN SHEET,
9 AND HAVE THE C.E.O. EITHER REPORT BACK IN EITHER TWO WEEKS OR
10 FOUR WEEKS ON WHETHER OR NOT THIS MIGHT WORK. BECAUSE THIS IS
11 THE FIRST TIME. AND TO HAVE SOMETHING LIKE THIS IS SO
12 SIGNIFICANT ON THE GREEN SHEET, I HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT
13 WITHOUT KNOWING IN ADVANCE. I JUST SAW THE REVISED BOARD
14 LETTER WHICH SOMEWHAT SURPRISED ME BECAUSE YOU ADDED THE ITEM
15 IN THE REVISED BOARD LETTER WITH AN ITEM ON THE GREEN SHEET
16 THAT HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED. AND SO I DON'T KNOW WHERE MY
17 COLLEAGUES ARE, BUT AT LEAST TO MOVE FORWARD ON THIS ITEM BUT
18 HAVE A REPORT BACK BY THE C.E.O. AS IT RELATES TO P.L.A., THE
19 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT. PARDON ME? NOT MOVE FORWARD ON THE
20 P.L.A. TODAY BUT HAVE A REPORT BACK PRIOR TO MOVING FORWARD
21 WITH THE P.L.A. AND THAT TIME PERIOD, I DON'T KNOW HOW SOON
22 THE C.E.O.--

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** HOW QUICKLY COULD THAT BE DONE?

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** TWO WEEKS.

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, IF I MAY?

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, PLEASE. I APPRECIATE THE CONCERN
6 THAT'S BEING RAISED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE EXPRESSING SOME
7 UNREADINESS ABOUT THE P.L.A. AND WANTING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT
8 IT. MAY I SIMPLY OFFER THE PERSPECTIVE THAT THE MATTER HAS
9 BEEN IN CIRCULATION, AND OFFICES WERE BRIEFED WELL IN ADVANCE
10 OF THE GREEN SHEET. THE OTHER POINT TO BE MADE IS THAT THERE'S
11 A LOT YET TO BE NEGOTIATED. THIS SIMPLY SETS THE PARAMETERS.
12 MAY I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE
13 PROPOSAL, THE BOARD LETTER INTACT? THIS IS NOT NEW NEWS. IF
14 YOU WANT TO HAVE EQUITY, IF YOU WANT TO HAVE A STABLE
15 ENVIRONMENT THAT SPEAKS TO JOB POTENTIAL, GROWTH AND ALL OF
16 WHAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT FORWARD THIS MORNING, IT SEEMS TO ME
17 THAT THERE IS SUFFICIENT SUPPORT FROM THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
18 TO THE TRADES TO THE RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY TO SMALL BUSINESS.
19 THIS IS INCLUSIVE. IT MEANS JOBS. IT MEANS ECONOMIC
20 DEVELOPMENT. IT MEANS THAT WE TAKE SERIOUSLY THE QUESTION OF
21 UNEMPLOYMENT THAT IS 13 PERCENT COUNTYWIDE AND SOME 19 PERCENT
22 IN THE AREA'S MOST IMMEDIATELY IMPACTED. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT
23 WE SPELL OUT DISADVANTAGED WORKERS. SO EVERY SINGLE DISTRICT
24 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES THAT QUALIFIES UNDER THE CATEGORY
25 THAT'S CAREFULLY LAID OUT IN CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY COUNSEL,



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1 WITH THE PREDICATE STUDY ATTACHED TO IT, MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR
2 US TO DO SOMETHING GOOD AND GO FORWARD TODAY WITH THIS INTACT.
3 I APPEAL TO THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD TO SUPPORT IT.
4 [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME. PLEASE STOP. WE ALLOWED YOU TO
7 SPEAK. YOU GOT TO ALLOW US TO HAVE OUR DEBATE AND DISCUSSION
8 ON THIS, PLEASE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AGAIN, WHILE MANY
9 OF US SUPPORT THE ORIGINAL LETTER THAT WAS SUBMITTED WHICH
10 DOES INCLUDE THE LOCAL HIRING, WHICH I THINK A LOT OF US ARE
11 VERY SUPPORTIVE OF AND WE'VE HAD IN OUR PAST PROJECTS, AND
12 IT'S GOING TO ALLOW FOR THE OPPORTUNITY, AS MANY OF THE PEOPLE
13 ADDRESSED THE ISSUE TODAY TO ALLOW FOR LOCAL HIRING,
14 PARTICULARLY OF YOUNG PEOPLE OR FOLKS THAT NEED JOBS, THAT
15 THEY SHOULD BENEFIT FROM. I THINK WHAT WE'RE NOT-- WHAT WAS
16 NOT IN ORIGINAL IS OF COURSE THE AMENDED PORTION. I THINK THAT
17 IS THE YOU THAT WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT. THE PROJECT LABOR
18 AGREEMENT, WE'RE NOT UNDERSTANDING COMPLETELY THE KIND OF
19 BENEFIT THAT WE ARE GOING TO GET FROM IT. WE ALL KNOW WHAT
20 LABOR AGREEMENTS ARE, BUT WE'RE NOT SO SURE OR HAVE A CLEAR
21 UNDERSTANDING OF THIS. AND IT'S GOING TO COST AN ADDITIONAL
22 MILLION DOLLARS AND A POTENTIAL DELAY.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOT IF MY AMENDMENT IS ACCEPTED. I BELIEVE
25 IT CAN BE DONE WITHIN--



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOUR AMENDMENT WAS NOT TO ELIMINATE THE
3 COST. YOUR AMENDMENT WAS TO HAVE PUBLIC WORKS PAY FOR IT.
4 THAT'S A DIFFERENT ISSUE. I'M NOT WILLING TO SPEND THE MILLION
5 DOLLARS UNLESS I KNOW WHAT IT IS. SO I THINK THAT SUPERVISOR
6 KNABE'S MOTION TO MOVE FORWARD ON THIS I THINK WE'RE ALL VERY
7 INTERESTED IN MOVING THIS FORWARD. BUT STILL TRYING TO GET AN
8 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT IS EXACTLY THIS PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT?
9 AND HOW WILL IT BENEFIT NOT ONLY US IN MOVING THIS PROJECT
10 FORWARD BUT HOW WILL IT BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY? THESE ARE
11 UNKNOWNNS. AND SO I THINK IT'S FAIR TO SAY THAT WE WOULD LIKE
12 THAT INFORMATION. AND SO I WOULD HAPPEN TO AGREE THAT I DON'T
13 KNOW HOW LONG IT WILL TAKE. THE QUESTION WE ASKED IS HOW LONG
14 WOULD IT TAKE US TO GET AN ANALYSIS OF A PROJECT LABOR
15 AGREEMENT AND ITS BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE BENEFIT TO
16 THE PROJECT ITSELF?

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I HAVE MENTIONED FOR THAT ANALYSIS WE CAN COME
19 BACK WITHIN TWO WEEKS. I CAN SPEAK SOMEWHAT TO THIS BECAUSE I
20 HAVE HANDLED PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS WHEN I WAS WITH THE CITY
21 OF LOS ANGELES. AND THEY HAVE BEEN PROVEN TO BE BENEFICIAL.
22 BUT WITH RESPECT TO YOUR QUESTION, WE CAN-- WE'LL COME BACK IN
23 TWO WEEKS IF THAT'S THE WISH OF THE BOARD.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO, AGAIN, I THINK--



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE ITEM AS ORIGINALLY
3 RECOMMENDED AND WITH THE LOCAL HIRING AND MOVING FORWARD AND
4 THEN HAVING AS IT RELATES TO A FINAL P.L.A., WHETHER OR NOT TO
5 SEE WHAT THE BENEFITS PRO AND CON ARE IN TWO WEEKS AND WE
6 COULD TAKE AN ACTION IN THE P.L.A. AT THAT POINT. IS THAT
7 CORRECT?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** CAN I COMMENT ON THAT COST FIGURE? THAT COST
10 FIGURE WAS A VERY ROUGH ESTIMATE. ASSUMING THE AMOUNT OF TIME
11 IT WOULD TAKE TO NEGOTIATE THE AGREEMENT WITH LABOR AND THE
12 POTENTIAL HOW SHOULD I SAY, THE CONTRACTOR THAT TAKES ON THIS
13 JOB. THAT THAT DOLLAR AMOUNT IS PROBABLY IN THE UPPER RANGE.
14 BUT WE'RE RESPONSIBLE TO GIVE YOU AN ESTIMATE OF WHAT IT COULD
15 BE.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I DON'T WANT TO SEE-- IF IT IS WORTHWHILE
18 FOR US TO DO, I DON'T WANT IT TO BE A PADDED NUMBER. I WANT IT
19 TO BE A VERY REAL NUMBER.

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT WE CAN BUDGET FOR.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAME CHAIR, TO SECOND DON'S MOTION TO
2 AUTHORIZE THE NEGOTIATING THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT BACK TO
3 THE C.E.O. AND APPROVE THE REMAINDER OF THE RECOMMENDATION
4 INCLUDING A LOCAL WORKER HIRING PROGRAM.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT'S IN THE ORIGINAL.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND JUST REFER THAT BACK TO THE C.E.O., THAT
9 PORTION.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT WHAT SUPERVISOR KNABE IS DOING IS HE
12 IS ASKING THAT THAT BE SEPARATED OUT THE LAST AMENDED PORTION.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** APPROVE THE REST OF THE ITEM, WITH THAT
15 PORTION.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND THAT WOULD COME BACK WITHIN TWO WEEKS
18 WITH AN ANALYSIS AND HOPEFULLY SOME BETTER ESTIMATE OF THE
19 ASSOCIATED COST, RIGHT?

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO THERE'S AN EFFORT TO BIFURCATE THE
22 MOTION? IS THAT ESSENTIALLY WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO, MADAME
23 CHAIR?

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** YES. THAT WAS MY REQUEST TO BIFURCATE THAT PIECE
2 THAT'S ON THE GREEN SHEET WITH A REPORT BACK ON IN TWO WEEKS
3 WITH A TIGHTER COST, THE ESTIMATE UP OR DOWN AS IT RELATES TO
4 THE BENEFITS TO US TO DO A P.L.A., BUT APPROVE THE WHOLE
5 PROJECT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** INCLUDING THE LOCAL WORKER.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** INCLUDING THE LOCAL HIRING.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE APPROVAL.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHAT'S IN THE ORIGINAL.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION, I THINK, IN SOME OF THE
16 TESTIMONY, THE TIME, THE P.L.A. TO LOCAL HIRING ARE TWO
17 SEPARATE ITEMS. BECAUSE THE BOARD WAS UNANIMOUS IN THE SUPPORT
18 OF THE LOCAL HIRING.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, I THINK I'M CLEAR ABOUT THE
21 SUGGESTION, THE RECOMMENDATION OF SUPERVISOR KNABE. MAY I
22 DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO PAGE 5 OF THE C.E.O.'S REPORT DATED
23 OCTOBER 19 WHERE IT SPELLS OUT IN SOME DETAIL THE PROS AND
24 CONS OF THE EFFORT THAT'S BEING PUT FORWARD BY WAY OF THE
25 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT. I ALSO WANT TO UNDERScore THE POINT



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1 THAT THE CONCEPT HERE IS TO HAVE BOTH IN TANDEM BECAUSE THERE
2 ARE BENEFITS TO BE DERIVED FROM THE RESPECTIVE CONSTITUENCIES
3 IN THE LABOR FORCE. SOME ARE ALREADY IN ORGANIZED LABOR, IN
4 TRADES. SOME ARE NOT. THE COMMUNITY HIRING, THE LOCAL HIRING
5 PIECE, IS DESIGNED TO SPEAK TO DISADVANTAGED WORKERS AS IT'S
6 SPELLED OUT IN ANY NUMBER OF THE DOCUMENTS WE HAVE BEFORE US.
7 THE P.L.A. HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE CLEAR WITH RESPECT TO, IT
8 DOES NOT IMPOSE ON THE SMALL BUSINESSES TO BECOME UNIONIZED AS
9 HAS BEEN RAISED AS A CONCERN A LEGITIMATE QUESTION TO WHICH
10 STAFF HAS POSED AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE. A QUESTION HAS BEEN
11 RAISED WITH RESPECT TO HIRING PRACTICES OF THOSE WHO ARE
12 HERETOFORE KNOWN AS HAVING VIOLATED THE LAW, IT WOULD BE
13 CONSISTENT WITH THE EXISTING POLICY THE MATTER INVOLVING HOW
14 WE DEAL WITH THE ROUGH ESTIMATE OF A MILLION DOLLARS HAVING
15 BEEN PUT IN THIS TO ADDRESS THE MATTER OF COST. I SIMPLY
16 OFFERED AN AMENDMENT THAT WOULD SAY THAT WHATEVER COST THAT
17 HAD BEEN PROJECTED, THAT THEY BE HANDLED WITHIN THE EXISTING
18 PROJECT BUDGET. THERE IS NO COMPELLING REASON OF WHICH I CAN
19 BE PERSUADED THAT THIS WOULD NECESSARILY BE AN ADDITIONAL
20 EXPENSE. THOSE PROJECTIONS WERE THERE. AND OUT OF RESPECT FOR
21 THE REPORT. THEY HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO GIVE THE BOARD THE PROS
22 AND THE CONS. THERE IS NO CALCULATION OF AN ESTIMATE OF
23 PROJECT SAVINGS. THE REPORTS DO MAKE REFERENCE TO OTHER
24 MUNICIPALITIES AND JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE NATION THAT
25 EFFECTIVELY CONSTITUTE COST SAVINGS BECAUSE OF WHAT-- WE HOLD



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1 THE COST OVERRUNS, WE STABILIZE THE WORKFORCE, WE DO NOT HAVE
2 WORK STOPPAGES, ALL OF WHICH MEANS THAT WE SAVE SIGNIFICANT
3 DOLLARS WELL IN ADVANCE OF THE ISSUE OF A MILLION DOLLARS. IF
4 WE WERE TO THINK FOR A MOMENT ABOUT THE EXPO PROJECT. THE COST
5 OVERRUNS THERE WERE HUGE, SOME OF WHICH RELATE TO-- SOME OF
6 WHICH RELATE TO THE LACK OF AN ENFORCED LOCAL HIRING POLICY
7 AND A P.L.A. SO WE HAVE EVIDENCE THAT IS COMPELLING BEFORE US
8 AS WELL AS THE RANGE OF ISSUES THAT WENT FORWARD IN TERMS OF
9 COMMUNITY CONCERNS ABOUT THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF IT. SO
10 I THINK THERE ARE A RANGE OF FACTORS THAT SUPPLY SUFFICIENT
11 EVIDENCE OF WHY THIS IS GOING FORWARD INTACT IS APPROPRIATE
12 TODAY. I RESPECT THE VIEWS OF THOSE WHO HAVE THE NEED FOR
13 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. I SIMPLY WANT TO BE ON RECORD THAT I
14 THINK A SUFFICIENT AMOUNT IS BEFORE US. IF THERE'S A DESIRE ON
15 THE PART OF THE BOARD TO BIFURCATE, I UNDERSTAND THE MATTER IN
16 TERMS OF THE WILL OF THE MAJORITY. I SIMPLY WANT TO SUGGEST,
17 THEN, THAT IT WOULD BE MY HOPE THAT WE COULD TAKE THE ITEM
18 SEPARATELY SO THAT WE CAN DISPOSE OF IT ACCORDINGLY. AND IT'S
19 WITH THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE LOCAL HIRING ASPECT OF MY
20 PROPOSAL.

21
22 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR? SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: YES, SUPERVISOR
23 KNABE?



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** TO MAKE SURE I'M CLEAR. I WOULD MOVE THE ITEM.
2 ITEMS 1, 2 AND 3. THAT'S THE ORIGINAL BOARD LETTER. ITEM 4,
3 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU SAID THAT
4 THERE WAS SOME CONVERSATION MAYBE WITH SOME OF OUR STAFFS, BUT
5 I WILL TELL YOU, I HAD A CONVERSATION EARLIER THIS MORNING
6 WITH MR. SCHLOSSEN. HE SAID HE WAS READING FROM A REPORT THAT
7 INDICATED THAT THERE WAS A RECOMMENDATION FOR A P.L.A. I HAD
8 NOT SEEN. THIS REPORT CAME OUT THIS MORNING WITH ITEM 4. THE
9 GREEN SHEET ITEM. IT'S DATED OCTOBER 19TH. THAT'S TODAY. BUT
10 I'M JUST SAYING THE ORIGINAL BOARD LETTER, ALL I'M SAYING.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I APPRECIATE THE POINT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** IF WE CAN COME BACK IN TWO WEEKS ON ITEM 4 AND
15 REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET ME SAY I RESPECT THE POINT YOU'RE
18 MAKING, SUPERVISOR KNABE. BUT I WANT STAFF TO DEFINITELY
19 INDICATE WHEN THIS MATTER CAME FORWARD SO THAT EVERYONE IS
20 CLEAR ABOUT IT. I WANT THE STAFF TO SPEAK WHEN THIS ITEM CAME
21 FORTH, BECAUSE THE CONCERN--

22

23 **SABER WHITE:** THE REVISED ITEM WAS FILED-- SABER WHITE, CHIEF
24 EXECUTIVE OFFICE. THE REVISED ITEM WAS FILED LAST THURSDAY, I
25 BELIEVE.



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2 **SPEAKER:** AND, SUPERVISOR, WE BRIEFED THE HEALTH DEPUTIES '
3 COMMITTEE LAST WEDNESDAY.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** HEALTH DEPUTIES?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE POINT TO BE APPRECIATED I THINK IS
10 THAT THIS HAS BEEN LONG EVOLVING AND DISCUSSED. AND IF THERE'S
11 UNREADINESS, I RESPECT UNREADINESS ON THE MATTER, BUT IT ISN'T
12 FOR THE LACK OF INFORMATION HAVING BEEN PROVIDED AND WHAT BY
13 MOST STANDARDS WOULD BE CONSIDERED A TIMELY MANNER.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO WHAT WE HAVE BEFORE US IS
16 SUPERVISOR KNABE'S AMENDED VERSION, IS THAT CORRECT?

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** HE ACTUALLY HAS A MOTION ON THE TABLE. HIS
19 MOTION IS THAT HE'S CALLING FOR BASICALLY TO BIFURCATE THE
20 CURRENT MOTION, WHICH INCLUDES THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA ITEM,
21 THAT HE WANTS TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 1, 2 AND 3 ON THE BOARD
22 LETTER, HAVE THAT APPROVED TODAY AND REFER RECOMMENDATION NO.
23 4, WHICH WAS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, REFER THAT
24 BACK TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND HAVE THE C.E.O. REPORT



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1 BACK IN TWO WEEKS WITH BETTER COST ESTIMATES AND HOW THE
2 P.L.A. WILL BE UTILIZED.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR--

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF I COULD ASK.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ONE AT A TIME. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND MADAME CHAIR, I WOULD RESPECTFULLY
13 REQUEST THAT WE HAVE TWO VOTES ON THAT ITEM IN TERMS OF THE
14 BIFURCATION.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE MOVED IT. SUPERVISOR
17 ANTONOVICH SECONDED IT. THERE HAS BEEN NO ROLL CALL VOTE ON
18 IT.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT I'M SIMPLY ASKING FOR
21 TWO VOTES.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE NO PROBLEM, BECAUSE I ORIGINALLY TALKED
24 ABOUT BIFURCATING THE ISSUE AND MOVED THE ITEM, ITEMS 1, 2 AND
25 3 AND SEPARATE OUT THE GREEN SHEET ITEM AND REFER THE GREEN



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1 SHEET ITEM TO THE C.E.O. FOR A TWO-WEEK REPORT. SO WE HAVE TWO
2 DIFFERENT VOTES.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT UNDERSTOOD?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST, ON THE REPORT BACK? IF YOU CAN
9 COME BACK WITH SOME DETAIL ON HOW THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT
10 IS GOING TO BE IMPLEMENTED. WHO ARE THE UNIONS THAT ARE GOING
11 TO BE NEGOTIATED WITH? WHAT YOUR PATH FORWARD IS TO THE END
12 RESULT. THIS IS A LITTLE BIT MORE COMPLICATED THAN IT SOUNDS.
13 AND WE'VE BEEN THROUGH THIS OR ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF IT WITH
14 THE EXPO AUTHORITY. AND THERE ARE A LOT OF NUANCES HERE THAT
15 MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF COST AND DELAY. SO IF YOU
16 CAN ADDRESS THAT.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL DO THAT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF YOU WANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, YOU CAN
21 GIVE ME A CALL.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL ALSO GIVE YOU EXAMPLES OF HOW A P.L.A.,
24 IF PROPERLY CONSTRUCTED AND EXECUTED, COULD ACTUALLY SAVE



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1 MONEY. IT CAN MORE IMPORTANTLY RESULT IN A BETTER QUALITY
2 PROJECT, PRODUCT AND PROJECT.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GREAT. YOU ALSO NEED TO BE HONEST WITH THE
5 BOARD ABOUT THE DOWN SIDES, TOO. AND THAT'S NOT INFORM SAY
6 THAT THE DOWN SIDES CAN'T BE OVERCOME. BUT THEY CAN'T BE SWEPT
7 UNDER THE RUG. AND THERE ARE DOWN SIDES. SO I THINK YOU NEED
8 TO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE. IF YOU'RE NOT FAMILIAR WITH IT, THEN I
9 REALLY URGE YOU TO TALK TO SOME OF US WHO--

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT LIKE ANY REPORT WE OFFER, IT
12 WILL BE A BALANCED REPORT. IT WILL SHOW YOU THE POSITIVES. IT
13 WILL SHOW YOU THE NEGATIVES. AND AT THAT POINT A POLICY
14 DECISION IS MADE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAME CHAIR, THE WHOLE EFFORT NEEDS TO
17 EXPEDITE THE PROJECT.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** EVERY DAY THAT WE DELAY IS ANOTHER INCREASE
22 IN COST AND FUTURE IMPACT TO THE COMMUNITY. SO WE WANT TO MOVE
23 FORWARD AS FAST AS WE CAN. [APPLAUSE.]

24



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, IF I MAY OFFER A POINT OF
2 CLARIFICATION. AND IT IS SIMPLY THIS: MY REFERENCE TO THE EXPO
3 LINE WAS REGARDING PHASE 1 WHERE THERE WAS NO P.L.A., NO LOCAL
4 HIRING POLICY THAT INFORMED IT. WITH PHASE 2, AS WAS JUST
5 MENTIONED, THE EXPO BOARD JUST DECIDED THAT THERE WOULD BE A
6 LOCAL HIRING POLICY, A SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY
7 PROGRAM AND A P.L.A. IN AN ATTEMPT TO AVOID SOME OF THE
8 PROBLEMS THAT WERE EXPERIENCED WITH REGARD TO PHASE 1. THANK
9 YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WAIT JUST A SECOND. I JUST WANT TO GET A
14 CLARIFICATION HERE. YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND THAT IN THE BOARD
15 LETTER, WE ARE DOING LOCAL HIRING. WE DID THAT AT L.A. COUNTY
16 U.S.C. WHEN WE BUILT THAT. SO IT'S NOT EXCLUDING LOCAL HIRING.
17 RIGHT NOW WE HAVE LOCAL HIRING IN PLACE. THIS IS A SEPARATE
18 AMENDMENT THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. SO LET'S NOT CONFUSE
19 THEM. AM I CLEAR THAT IN THE ORIGINAL LETTER WE HAD LOCAL
20 HIRING WAS A FULL COMPONENT OF THE REBUILDING OF MARTIN LUTHER
21 KING HOSPITAL.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I JUST WANTED TO GET THAT CLARIFICATION IN
2 PLACE. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST ON THE EXPOSITION, THERE WAS A LOCAL
5 HIRING PROGRAM. IT WAS VERY ANEMIC AT THE BEGINNING. AND THE
6 CONTRACTOR WAS LARGELY AT FAULT IN THAT, COMPLETELY AT FAULT
7 IN THAT AND NOW HAD TO SPEND A FORTUNE TO BRING HIS LOCAL
8 HIRING PROGRAM UP TO THE CONTRACT OBLIGATION. AND NOW HE'S
9 TRYING TO COME BACK AND GET THE EXPO AUTHORITY TO PAY HIM BACK
10 FOR ALL THE CONSULTANTS THAT WERE HIRED AFTER HE HIRED HIS
11 FIRST BATCH OF CONSULTANTS. SO THIS IS NOT ACCURATE TO SAY THE
12 EXPO PHASE-- IF ALL IT TOOK WAS A P.L.A. TO SOLVE ALL THE
13 PROBLEMS WE HAD, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN REAL EASY. THAT'S NOT
14 EXACTLY WHY WE HAVE A PROBLEM WITH COST OVERRUNS. BUT PART OF
15 THE COST OVERRUNS IS BECAUSE THE CONTRACTOR, AND THIS IS WHY
16 THERE'S A COST, MR. FUJIOKA. YOU ARE RIGHT THE FIRST TIME AND
17 YOU'RE BACKING AWAY A LITTLE BIT FROM IT, BUT YOU WERE RIGHT
18 THE FIRST TIME. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT WE GET WHAT WE'RE
19 PAYING FOR, WHAT WE'RE EXPECTING, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
20 HAVE-- SOMEBODY'S GOING TO HAVE TO MONITOR THIS. AND IT'S NOT
21 GOING TO BE THE CONTRACTOR. IT'S GOING TO BE US. IT'S GOING TO
22 BE THE OWNER. AND THAT'S THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. SO TO SAY THAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO
24 THIS WITHIN BUDGET, IF IT'S GOING TO BE A HALF MILLION OR A
25 MILLION, WHATEVER IT'S GOING TO BE, TO SAY IT'S GOING TO BE



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1 WITHIN BUDGET IS REALLY AN EMPTY PROMISE. BECAUSE AT THE END
2 OF THE DAY, IF IT DOES COST YOU A MILLION MORE THAN YOUR
3 BUDGET, YOU'RE GOING TO COME BACK TO US AND ASK US FOR MORE
4 MONEY. SO THIS THING NEEDS TO BE NAILED DOWN AHEAD OF TIME.
5 AND I'M SURE IT CAN BE. BUT IT'S JUST-- IT GIVES ME PAUSE WHEN
6 IT'S A GREAT THING. ALL YOU GOT TO DO APPROVE IT AND
7 EVERYTHING IS GOING TO BE FINE. IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE. I THINK
8 YOU KNOW IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE. YOU GUYS KNOW IT'S NOT THAT
9 SIMPLE. THAT'S WHY IT TOOK FROM OCTOBER 19TH FOR YOU TO
10 ENDORSE THIS PARTICULAR THING BECAUSE YOU HAD ISSUES ABOUT IT
11 AND CONCERNS ABOUT IT. MAYBE YOU WERE ISSUES HAVE BEEN
12 RESOLVED AND THAT'S FINE. I THINK THE REST OF THE BOARD NEEDS
13 TO REACH THAT COMFORT LEVEL THAT YOU MAY HAVE. BUT HONESTY IS
14 THE BEST POLICY HERE. ENOUGH SAID.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, IF I MAY.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, SIR.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SINCE WE HAVE A CONCERN ABOUT HONESTY
21 BEING ASSERTED, ONE MAN'S HONESTY IS ANOTHER MAN'S DISHONESTY.
22 AND I WANT TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THIS. [APPLAUSE.] IT'S PERFECTLY
23 LEGITIMATE TO HAVE DIFFERING POINTS OF VIEW. AND I RESPECT
24 THAT. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE ALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
25 ANALYZE THIS FROM OUR RESPECTIVE VANTAGE POINTS. AS A MEMBER



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1 OF THE EXPO AUTHORITY AND MORE FUNDAMENTAL THAN THAT AS A
2 MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY TO WHICH THAT TRAIN WILL PASS, I KNOW
3 WITHOUT FEAR OF CONTRADICTION THAT THERE WAS NO SUSTAINED
4 POLICIES IN PLACE THAT WOULD EFFECTIVELY CAUSE EXPO 1 TO DO
5 WHAT IT SHOULD DO. THEREFORE THAT'S WHY WE ARE INSTITUTING
6 THESE POLICIES WITH RESPECT TO EXPO PHASE 2. AND AS A RESULT
7 OF THAT, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE BOARD IN ITS ENTIRETY IS WELL
8 ADVISED OR WELL SERVED TO CONSIDER SUCH POLICIES. AND I'M
9 PLEASED AT A LOCAL HIRING PHASE IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR
10 ADOPTION TODAY. AND IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S THE WILL OF THE BODY,
11 WHICH I RESPECT, TO RE-VISIT, EVALUATE, GET BETTER INFORMATION
12 IN TERMS OF THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT. I'M CONFIDENT THAT
13 THAT CAN BE DONE COMPETENTLY IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE BOARD WILL
14 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EVALUATE IT AS FAIRLY AS DEEMED
15 APPROPRIATE. MADAME CHAIR, I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
16 SPEAK. AND I WOULD MOVE THE PREVIOUS QUESTION ON THE ENTIRE
17 MATTER.

18
19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. JUST SO THAT WE HAVE A
20 CLARIFICATION, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TWO VOTES. THE FIRST ONE
21 WOULD BE ON THE ORIGINAL BOARD LETTER. AND THE SECOND ONE
22 WOULD BE ON THE AMENDED VERSION OF IT.

23
24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE AMENDED VERSION IS GOING TO BE KNABE'S
25 MOTION?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU'RE GOING TO AMEND THAT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THEN THE FIRST MOTION WOULD BE TO APPROVE THE
5 ITEMS 1, 2 AND 3. AND THEN THE SECOND MOTION-- IS TO SEND THE
6 GREEN SHEET ITEM BACK TO THE C.E.O. FOR TWO WEEKS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, ALL RIGHT. SO ON THE FIRST
9 PORTION DO YOU WANT TO CALL A ROLL CALL VOTE? WE CAN. IF THERE
10 IS NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THE FIRST PORTION. ON THE
11 SECOND PORTION, DO YOU WISH A ROLL CALL VOTE? ALL RIGHT. WE
12 HAVE ROLL CALL VOTE ON THAT. CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR
13 RIDLEY-THOMAS?

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES. SO THE SECOND PORTION WILL BE COMING
5 BACK. IT WILL COME BACK IN TWO WEEKS, CORRECT? WITH THE
6 EXPANSION ON IT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NEXT WE HAVE S-2. AND WE HAVE A
13 SPEAKER ON S-2? THOSE OF YOU THAT ARE LEAVING, IF YOU'D DO IT
14 QUESTION QUIETLY, WE'D APPRECIATE IT. WE HAVE THE REPORT. AND
15 WE WILL RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT. BUT I HAVE MR. SACHS WHO
16 WISHES TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM. IF YOU'D COME UP, MR. SACHS, S-2.
17 MR. SACHS, YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE YOUR OPPORTUNITY HERE? MR.
18 SACHS, WHILE YOU'RE HERE--

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I HAVE MY NOTES IN MY SEAT. OH MADAME CHAIR.
21 YES, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT ALSO I WANT YOU TO ADDRESS BESIDES S-
24 2, I WANT YOU TO ADDRESS 1-D, 1-H, 4, 5 AND 14.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** S-2. WE'RE UP TO \$5 MILLION ON TRANSFERS AT
2 COUNTY U.S.C. IS THERE A CEILING THAT YOU'RE GOING TO REACH ON
3 THE TRANSFERS-- FOR THESE TRANSFERS? IS THERE A CEILING? JUST
4 OUT OF CURIOSITY? BECAUSE WE KNOW THE PROJECT WAS BUILT
5 SMALLER THAN NEEDED. M.L.K., THE PROJECT THAT EVERYBODY'S
6 WALKING OUT ON, IT'S GOING TO BE 66 PERCENT SMALLER THAN THE
7 ONE THAT FAILED UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP. SO YOU HAD 5 MILLION
8 NOW ON TRANSFERS FOR PATIENT CARE. IS THERE A CEILING? THIS IS
9 WHAT MONTH OF THE BUDGET YEAR AND YOU'RE AT 5 MILLION? JUST
10 OUT OF CURIOSITY. THAT WOULD BE MY QUESTION FOR S-1.

11 UNFORTUNATELY, I LEFT MY NOTES BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T MENTION
12 SPEAKING ON THE OTHER ITEMS LIKE YOU NORMALLY DO BECAUSE YOU
13 HAVE A FULL HOUSE. YOU DIDN'T WANT TO SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THAT.
14 BUT THERE WAS AN ARTICLE A COUPLE MONTHS AGO, AS A MATTER OF
15 FACT. IT WAS JUST BEFORE THE--

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHAT ITEM ARE YOU SPEAKING ON?

18

19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 1-D. YOU'RE WITH US, AREN'T YOU?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M FOLLOWING YOU.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE ANTHEM BLUE CROSS MEDICAL PLAN. THAT ANTHEM
24 HAD TRIED TO RAISE THEIR RATES 40 PERCENT. AND THIS IS JUST
25 AROUND THE TIME THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GOT INTO THE



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1 HEALTHCARE. AND THERE'S A STATE LAW THAT STATES THAT THEY'RE
2 ONLY ALLOWED TO RAISE THEIR RATES AS LONG AS 70 CENTS OF EVERY
3 DOLLAR GOES FOR CARE. THE STATE DID NOT ALLOW THEM TO RAISE
4 THE RATES. AND THEN THEY CAME BACK AND THEY RAISED THEM UP 20
5 PERCENT. SO THE POINT IS THAT THERE WAS A DIFFERENCE OF LIKE
6 23 PERCENT THAT THEY WANTED TO RAISE THEIR RATE. AND I'M
7 WONDERING IF ANYBODY DID ANY KIND OF HOMEWORK. BECAUSE I KNOW
8 THAT THIS SEEMS TO BE RUBBER STAMPED BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT GOING
9 TO EFFECT ANY CHANGE INTO ANY BENEFITS HERE. BUT JUST WHY
10 WOULD THEY PICK 43 PERCENT, THEN LOWER IT DOWN 20 PERCENT, 23
11 PERCENT WHEN THE STATE HAS THE MANDATE THE HEALTH INSURANCE,
12 OVERSIGHT AGENCY HAS A MANDATE AS TO WHAT THEY CAN RAISE THEIR
13 RATES AT. ITEM 4, ITEM 4, IT'S NICE THAT YOU CAN PICK AND
14 CHOOSE WHAT GOVERNMENT CODES YOU WISH TO UPHOLD. THAT'S MY
15 METRO DEAL. AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS BROUGHT THAT UP
16 REGARDING THE EXPO LINE. BUT HE DIDN'T BRING ANYTHING UP ABOUT
17 THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. BUT THIS IS--

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU MEAN THE BLUE LINE?

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOLD LINE, SIR, AND THE BLUE LINE. YOU'RE RIGHT.
22 AT LEAST YOU'RE PAYING ATTENTION, THANK YOU. MY QUESTION WOULD
23 BE: WHY VOTE FOR TWO CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITIES? BUT I'LL SAVE
24 THAT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. ESPECIALLY WHEN YOUR DISTRICT IS SO
25 TRANSIT-POOR.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I GUESS I'M FINISHED. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

5 YOU'RE PAYING ATTENTION AS ALWAYS.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ON ITEM S-1, I'M SORRY, S-
8 2, ON S-2, WE DO HAVE A SERIES OF RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE
9 MADE. AND THAT'S THE APPROVAL OF THE ADDITIONAL DOLLARS TO
10 NEGOTIATE THE PATIENT TRANSFER AGREEMENTS. SO I SAID IT WAS A
11 RECEIVE AND FILE BUT IT IS AN ACTION ITEM. SO THAT IS BEFORE
12 US. MOVED BY MYSELF, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S
13 NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. BUT WE ARE ALSO MOVING FORWARD 1-D,
14 1-H, 4, 5 AND 14, MOVED BY MYSELF, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
15 KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS. ALL
16 RIGHT. I'M GOING TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR
17 SPECIALS.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T THINK I'M HOLDING ANY, BUT I HAVE A
20 COUPLE OF--

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, YOU DO HAVE ONE ITEM YOU HELD.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DO?

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 37.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH YES. LET ME GET TO THAT IN A SECOND. I
4 HAVE A FEW ADJOURNING MOTIONS. I DON'T KNOW IF WE DID THIS
5 WHILE I WAS GONE, MADAME CHAIR. BUT MAYBE THE BOARD SECRETARY
6 CAN HELP ME ON THIS. DID WE AN DREW IN THE MEMORY OF TONY
7 CURTIS AND EDDIE FISHER? BOTH? EDDIE FISHER AND TONY CURTIS?
8 OKAY. THEN I WOULD ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF TONY
9 CURTIS.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THOUGHT WE DID TONY CURTIS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ADD EVERYBODY.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF IT WAS DONE, FINE, IF NOT, ADD EVERYBODY.
16 TONY CURTIS AND EDDIE FISHER BOTH PASSED AWAY WITHIN DAYS OF
17 EACH OTHER. I THINK THEIR BIOGRAPHIES ARE WELL KNOWN TO
18 EVERYONE, TWO LEGENDARY PERFORMERS. JOAN SUTHERLAND WHO WAS A
19 GREAT OPERA SINGER PASSED AWAY WHILE I WAS AWAY AND I ASK THAT
20 ALL MEMBERS ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY, TOO. A LEGEND IN THE OPERA
21 WORLD, ONE OF THE GREAT OPERA SINGERS OF ALL TIME. AND THEN A
22 FEW DAYS AGO, BARBARA BILLINGSLEY, I DON'T THINK WE DID THAT
23 TODAY, BARBARA BILLINGSLEY PASSED AWAY. I'LL GIVE YOU THE LIST.
24 AN ACCOMPLISHED ACTRESS WHO REALLY MADE HER NAME AS JUNE
25 CLEAVER IN THE COMEDY SERIES "LEAVE IT TO BEAVER." BUT SHE HAD



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1 A GREAT THEATRICAL CAREER AND I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN HER
2 MEMORY. THOSE ARE MY FOUR ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK YOU HAD ANOTHER ACTOR, MR. BOSLEY.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I JUST HEARD THAT, TOM BOSLEY OF STAR OF
7 "HAPPY DAYS." ALL MEMBERS ON THAT.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAD A MOTION ON THAT.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU HAD ALREADY DONE IT? OKAY. SO ORDERED
12 ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON NO. 37, I WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT
15 WE HAD A LEGAL OBLIGATION TO DO THIS. I LEARNED AFTER THE
16 MEETING LAST WEEK THAT TWO MEMBERS OPPOSED IT. I'D BEEN
17 UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THIS FROM DAY ONE. BUT I THOUGHT THAT THERE
18 WAS A CONSENSUS THAT BECAUSE THE LAW REQUIRED US TO DO THIS,
19 THAT WE WERE ALL GOING TO DO IT. THEN I COME TO FIND OUT THERE
20 ARE TWO DISSENTING VOTES. I'M GOING TO CAST A DISSENTING VOTE,
21 AS WELL. AND SO I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU GO FROM HERE. BUT I'M
22 GOING TO JUST RECORD MYSELF AS A NO VOTE.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THEN THIS MOTION--

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HELD IT.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE ORDINANCE FAILS. THIS IS THE SECOND
4 READING.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU NEED TO GET IT APPROVED ON SECOND
7 READING, AND IF YOU DON'T GET IT APPROVED ON SECOND READING,
8 IT DOESN'T GO.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE ORDINANCE WILL NOT BE ADOPTED.

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12 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** RIGHT, IF THERE ARE THREE NOES IT WILL
13 NOT BE ADOPTED.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MAYBE YOU WANT TO PUT THIS OVER A COUPLE
16 WEEKS AND HAVE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ABOUT IT, BUT I THOUGHT THE
17 UNDERSTANDING WAS WE WERE REQUIRED TO DO THIS BY LAW. BUT IF
18 IT'S NOT GOING TO BE UNANIMOUS, I DON'T WANT TO PUT MY NAME TO
19 THIS ANY MORE THAN ANYBODY ELSE WANTS TO PUT THEIR NAME TO
20 THIS. I MEAN, I CAN EITHER--

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE NO PROBLEM PUTTING IT OVER TWO WEEKS IF YOU
23 WANT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT MAY BE THE MOST RESPONSIBLE THING TO DO
2 HERE TO CLEAR THIS UP. I'LL MOVE A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN HOLD IT OVER FOR TWO WEEKS. IF WE WANT,
5 WE COULD ASK RAY YOU TO COME BACK. WE DID HAVE THAT
6 DISCUSSION. I SPOKE TO THE LEGAL REQUIREMENT FOR MOVING THIS
7 FORWARD. SO WE COULD ALWAYS ASK WHEN WE COME BACK AND HAVE
8 THAT DISCUSSION. WHEN MR. GROMEK CAME IN AND DISCUSSED THIS
9 ITEM, HE SPOKE TO THE FACT THAT THERE IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT
10 TO MOVE THIS FORWARD.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT IT DOESN'T HAVE A TIMEFRAME.

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14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT DOES NOT HAVE A TIMEFRAME. YOU CAN CARRY IT
15 OVER FOR TWO WEEKS.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL ASK THAT THIS ITEM BE
18 CARRIED OVER FOR TWO WEEKS. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION IT IS
19 PASSED. ALL RIGHT, SO THAT CONCLUDES ALL OF YOUR ITEMS,
20 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I HAD TO SKIP OVER SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
25 THOMAS, I COULDN'T FIND YOU AT YOUR SEAT, BUT YOU'RE ON.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WAS HERE, MADAME CHAIR, SORRY ABOUT MY
3 INCONSPICUOUS PRESENCE AT THE TIME.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULDN'T SEE YOU.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I HAVE A COUPLE OF ITEMS FOR OUR
8 CONSIDERATION, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS AN ADJOURNING MOTION IN
9 MEMORY OF PASTOR BYRON BAKER SENIOR, BORN AUGUST 15, 1960 IN
10 LOS ANGELES AND PASSED ON OCTOBER 12, 2010 AT THE AGE OF 50.
11 HE ENTERED THE MINISTRY SHORTLY AFTER GRADUATING FROM
12 CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL. HE WAS RECEIVED HIS EARLY MINISTERIAL
13 TRAINING AT EVEREADY CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST FROM 1979 TO
14 1981. HE THEN SERVED AT HOLY DEFENDER CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
15 FROM 1981 UNTIL 1999 WHEN HE BECAME PASTOR OF THE EPHESIANS
16 CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST. THROUGHOUT THE 1980S AND THE 1990S,
17 HE DILIGENTLY WORKED IN HIS DENOMINATION AND SUBSEQUENTLY AS
18 PRESIDENT OF THE WEST LOS ANGELES, SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND
19 EMMANUEL REGENTS OF THAT CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST. HE WILL BE
20 REMEMBERED FONDLY FOR HIS DEDICATION TO HIS FAITH AND FOR
21 SERVING AS A FATHER FIGURE TO MANY. AND WE THANK HIM FOR HIS
22 MINISTRY AND HIS WITNESS, AND WE ADJOURN WITH RESPECT. AND
23 THEN I HAVE A MOTION I'D LIKE TO READ IN WITH YOUR PERMISSION,
24 MADAME CHAIR, AND IT'S INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
25 AND MYSELF, ANALYSIS OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET-RELATED



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1 LEGISLATION PROPOSITIONS 25 AND 26. IT'S A MATTER OF RECORD
2 THAT THE COUNTY'S BUDGET AND OPERATIONS ARE FREQUENTLY
3 PARALYZED BY THE STATE'S CONSTITUTION'S REQUIREMENT OF TWO-
4 THIRDS VOTE BY THE LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT A BUDGET OR INCREASE
5 REVENUES. THE TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIREMENT HAS INTENSIFIED
6 PARTISANSHIP AND MADE IT VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE
7 LEGISLATURE TO APPROVE A BALANCED BUDGET ON TIME WITHOUT
8 RESORTING TO BORROWING ACCOUNTING GIMMICKS OR SEVERE
9 REDUCTIONS IN CORE SERVICES. STATE BUDGET DELAYS CUT OFF FUNDS
10 TO THE COUNTY AND FORCE COSTLY BORROWING AND PROGRAM
11 CURTAILMENTS. THE COUNTY'S OWN BUDGET PROCESS IS REGULARLY
12 PROLONGED AND THE WORKFORCE ENGAGES IN CONTINGENCY PLANNING
13 THAT DIVERTS TIME AND RESOURCES FROM IMPROVING SERVICE
14 DELIVERY AND ENHANCING EFFICIENCY. SO THESE TWO BALLOT
15 MEASURES ARE BEFORE US AND WE NEED TO PROVIDE THE SERVICE TO
16 OUR CONSTITUENTS TO LET THEM KNOW WHAT OUR VIEWS ARE. SO
17 THEREFORE, WE ASK THAT WE TAKE UP THE MATTER IN SUPPORT FOR
18 PROPOSITION 25, IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION 26 AND INSTRUCT
19 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACCORDINGLY. AND THEN THE SECOND
20 POINT IS TO INSTRUCT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO WORK WITH
21 THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER, COUNTY CLERK AND REPORT BACK TO THE
22 BOARD BACK IN SEVEN DAYS WITH A MORE EXTENSIVE ANALYSIS. AND
23 FINALLY TO LOOK AT THE ESTIMATED COSTS WHICH WOULD BE INCURRED
24 BY THE COUNTY TO CONDUCT THESE ELECTIONS, INCLUDING
25 REIMBURSABLE AMOUNTS TO THE COUNTY BY OTHER JURISDICTIONS WHO



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1 THEN CONDUCT THESE ELECTIONS. THOSE ARE THE ITEMS AGAIN
2 INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND MYSELF FOR OUR
3 CONSIDERATION AT NEXT WEEK'S BOARD MEETING.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ADJOURNMENTS? ALL RIGHT. THAT'S IT?
6 SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MADAME CHAIR,
9 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
10 TODAY OF WALLY WAHL, A LONG TIME WHITTIER RESIDENT AND HUSBAND
11 TO WHITTIER-RIO HONDO A.I.D.S. PROJECT FOUNDER DORIS WAHL, WHO
12 PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST
13 CONDOLENCES TO HIS WIFE DORIS, AND DAUGHTER MARGIE, AND TO HIS
14 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. WALLY WAS A GREAT GUY, GREAT CRAFTSMAN AND
15 VERY, VERY SUPPORTIVE OF HIS WIFE'S EFFORTS ON ALL FRONTS.
16 ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF WENDY LOU COMBS, PASSED AWAY
17 PEACEFULLY BY HER FAMILY. SHE WAS 60 YEARS OLD. SHE WAS A
18 REGISTERED NURSE, GRADUATED FROM SOUTH HIGH IN TORRANCE.
19 WORKED FOR 30 YEARS AT LONG BEACH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, LAKEWOOD
20 REGIONAL HOSPITAL AND HOME HEALTH CARE. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY
21 HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND PAUL,
22 SONS BRIAN AND BRENT. STEPDAUGHTERS MICHELLE AND CAROLINE.
23 GREAT LADY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A LONG TIME
24 FRIEND, RICHARD DEBIE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 13TH AT THE
25 AGE OF 88. RICH WAS BORN IN IOWA, THE EIGHTH CHILD OF A FAMILY



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1 OF 13, ALL HARD WORKING DUTCH DAIRY FARMERS. HE WAS A FORMER
2 MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT. HE AND I
3 WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL AT CERRITOS WHEN HE WAS THERE. HE'S
4 ALSO PAST PRESIDENT OF CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES. HE IS
5 SURVIVED BY HIS SONS, LINDEN AND RICK, THEIR WIVES AND MARY
6 AND CHARLENE, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, FIVE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND
7 HIS BROTHER DICK. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THERESA
8 FUENTES, A LONG TIME CERRITOS RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY OCTOBER
9 12TH. SHE WAS BORN IN CITY TERRACE. SHE WAS ONE OF SEVEN
10 CHILDREN. ATTENDED ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH. GRADUATED FROM
11 THE CATHOLIC GIRL'S HIGH SCHOOL. SHE ENLISTED IN THE U.S. NAVY
12 DURING WORLD WAR II AND SERVED AS A SEAMAN FIRST CLASS.
13 STATIONED IN WASHINGTON, D.C. SHE MARRIED HER CHILDHOOD
14 SWEETHEART, ROBERT FUENTES. BOB AND TEDDY THEY HAD 10 CHILDREN
15 AND MADE THEIR HOME IN NORWALK, AND THEN IN 1968 MOVED TO
16 CERRITOS. TEDDY WAS TRULY A RENAISSANCE WOMAN, RAISING HER 10
17 CHILDREN WHILE MAINTAINING HER PASSION FOR ART, FASHION,
18 BUSINESS AND WORLD TRAVEL. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER 10 CHILDREN,
19 8 GRANDCHILDREN, ONE GREAT GRANDCHILD, HER BROTHER AND
20 NUMEROUS FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. SHE WILL BE TRULY MISSED.
21 ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF NANCY LEE MURPHY, LONG TIME LONG
22 BEACH RESIDENT, PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 12TH. GRADUATE OF JOHN
23 MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL. SHE WAS AN ACTIVIST IN SUPPORT OF
24 SCHOOLS AND CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY. SHE WORKED IN THE FAMILY
25 BUSINESS. SHE ALWAYS CARED GREATLY FOR HER FAMILY, EXTENDED



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1 FAMILY, HER COMMUNITY AND FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
2 HUSBAND OF 67 YEARS, BILL, TWO SONS, BILL AND MICHAEL, GRAND
3 DAUGHTERS AND GREAT GRANDSONS AND A BROTHER. FINALLY THAT WE
4 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LATASIA SOTO, WHO PASSED AWAY,
5 UNFORTUNATELY AT THE AGE OF 21 ON OCTOBER 8TH. "TASIA" AS HER
6 FRIENDS AND FAMILY CALLED HER WAS A RESIDENT OF WHITTIER, A
7 GRADUATE OF WHITTIER HIGH SCHOOL AND WORKED AT T.G.I. FRIDAYS
8 IN BREA. HER SMILE BRIGHTENED COUNTLESS LIVES. SHE WILL TRULY
9 BE MISSED BY FAMILY, FRIENDS AND CO-WORKERS. SHE IS SURVIVED
10 BY HER MOTHER TINA, FATHER STEVEN, SIBLINGS, LAMAR, DESIREE
11 AND JOSH. HER GRANDPARENTS, GIL, DOLLY AND THERESA, STEPMOTHER
12 MICHELLE, AUNTS, UNCLES, COUSINS AND MANY OTHER LOVING FAMILY
13 AND FRIENDS. GREAT YOUNG LADY. MADAME CHAIR, THOSE ARE MY
14 ADJOURNMENTS.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (OFF MIC.) WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. DID WE
17 TAKE CARE OF ALL OF OUR ITEMS? WE HAVE 17 SPEAKERS. IF I COULD
18 ASK YOU TO COME AND JOIN US. FIRST OF ALL MONIQUE COOPER,
19 FOLLOWED BY TANYA HOLLINGSWORTH, GLENIS DEVANCE. PLEASE JOIN
20 US. AND J. ELDRIDGE TAYLOR.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHILE THEY'RE ALSO COMING UP, I'D LIKE TO
23 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN WILLIAM MEDCOMB, PASSED AWAY AT THE
24 AGE OF 85. HE WAS THE DIVISION CHIEF RETIRED OF THE MECHANICAL



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1 RESEARCH DIVISION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY WITH THE CITY OF LOS
2 ANGELES.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ARE YOU MISS COOPER?

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6 **MONIQUE COOPER:** YES.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND DO YOU HAVE MISS HOLLINGSWORTH WITH
9 YOU? HOLLINGSWORTH?

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11 **MONIQUE COOPER:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS MISS DEVANCE HERE? NO HOW ABOUT MR.
14 TAYLOR? NOT HERE? RUSSELL TAYLOR? HOW ABOUT CHIEF CHIEF, IS
15 MR. CHIEF CHIEF HERE? ALL RIGHT. MR. PREVIN? PLEASE JOIN US.
16 AND BALDOMERO MARQUEZ? MR. MARQUEZ? AND GED KENSLEA? PLEASE
17 JOIN US. ALL RIGHT. I'M SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, MISS
18 COOPER. PLEASE BEGIN.

19

20 **MONIQUE COOPER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MONIQUE COOPER, I'M A
21 LITTLE HOARSE. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF MY GRANDSON WHO IS 13
22 MONTHS OLD AND HE WAS TAKEN BY D.C.F.S. FROM MY DAUGHTER, WHO
23 SUFFERS FROM A BIPOLAR DISORDER. I'VE CONTACTED MANY OF THE
24 OFFICES HERE IN REGARDS TO THIS. THESE ARE PICTURES OF HIS
25 LITTLE FOOT. HE WAS SEVERELY BURNED, THIRD DEGREE BURNS, AS A



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1 MATTER OF FACT, WHILE HE WAS IN PLACEMENT. AND THE SOCIAL
2 WORKER TOOK HIM AND PUT HIM BACK INTO THIS PLACE. I'M ASKING
3 THAT THEY OPEN A FULL SCALE INVESTIGATION INTO THE D.C.F.S.
4 BECAUSE I THINK THIS IS JUST NOT ONLY UNFORGIVABLE BUT
5 ATROCIOUS AND NOT-- THIS IS TOTALLY INTOLERABLE. THIS SHOULD
6 NOT BE HAPPENING TO THESE KIDS. I HAVE EVERY ARTICLE
7 CONCERNING THE DEATHS AND EVERYTHING THAT'S GOING ON WITH
8 D.C.F.S. NOW. BUT I'M ASKING THAT THE L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS
9 AND WHOEVER ELSE GOVERNS D.C.F.S. TAKE A GOOD LOOK INTO WHAT
10 THEY ARE DOING TO THESE CHILDREN. HE IS GOING TO BE MARKED
11 LIKE THIS FOR THE REST OF HIS LIFE. THEY DIDN'T TAKE HIM TO
12 THE HOSPITAL UNTIL 14 HOURS AFTER THAT INJURY. I HAVE THE
13 MEDICAL REPORTS RIGHT HERE. AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.
14 THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MISS HOLLINGSWORTH?

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18 **TANYA HOLLINGSWORTH:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TONYA HOLLINGSWORTH. AND I'M HERE
20 TODAY TO TALK ABOUT THE CORRUPTION AND MISCONDUCT BY D.C.F.S.
21 I'M CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN A DEPENDENCY CASE WHERE MY EX-
22 HUSBAND WAS ARRESTED FOR CHILD ABUSE AGAINST ONE OF THE
23 CHILDREN WHO WITH HIM AND HIS CURRENT WIFE, WHO IS THE FOSTER
24 PARENT. HE EX-HUSBAND IS A FELON WITH AN EXTENSIVE CRIMINAL
25 HISTORY AS WELL AS A HISTORY OF CHILD ABUSE TO BOTH OF THE



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1 FOSTER CHILDREN IN THE HOME AS WELL AS HIS OWN TWO CHILDREN.
2 TWO MONTHS AFTER THE CASE HAD OPENED, THE CHILDREN WERE PLACED
3 BACK INTO THE HOME WITH HIM AND HIS WIFE. D.C.F.S. IS WELL
4 AWARE OF THIS. I'VE PROVIDED THEM WITH ALL KIND OF
5 DOCUMENTATION ABOUT THIS MAN'S BACKGROUND AND HAVE EVEN HAD
6 REPORTS FROM MY SON A FEW YEARS PRIOR TO THIS INCIDENT
7 HAPPENING, WHERE HE REPORTED CHILD ABUSE AGAINST HIM. AND THEY
8 CONTINUED TO ALLOW THESE PEOPLE TO HAVE THESE CHILDREN RESIDE
9 IN THE HOME. IT WAS BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT MY EX-
10 HUSBAND'S CURRENT WIFE WORKS FOR THE DEPARTMENT AT 8300 SOUTH
11 VERMONT. AND IT'S BELIEVED ALSO THAT HIS WIFE HAS CONCEALED
12 THE FACT THAT SHE WAS MARRIED TO A FELON WHEN SHE APPLIED TO
13 BE A FOSTER PARENT IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THE LICENSE TO
14 BE A FOSTER PARENT. I HAVE CONTACTED OR WRITTEN SEVERAL
15 LETTERS OUT TO YOU GUYS. I HAVE WRITTEN A LETTER TO MARK
16 RIDLEY-THOMAS'S OFFICE REQUESTING AN INVESTIGATION AND AN
17 AUDIT ON THIS CASE. AND ALSO I WROTE A LETTER TO BERNARD PARKS
18 AND HE FORWARDED TO GLORIA MOLINA'S OFFICE. AS OF YET, I
19 HAVEN'T HAD ANYONE HELP ME WITH THIS. THIS MATTER IS STILL
20 GOING ON. THESE KIDS ARE STILL IN THAT HOME. AND I'M VERY
21 AFRAID.

22
23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MISS HOLLINGSWORTH YOU WROTE A LETTER TO
24 ME? WHEN DID YOU WRITE A LETTER TO TO ME.



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1 **TANYA HOLLINGSWORTH:** I WROTE A LETTER TO BERNARD PARKS. HE
2 FORWARDED IT TO YOUR OFFICE. IT'S BEEN ABOUT FOUR WEEKS NOW,
3 FOUR TO FIVE WEEKS AGO.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL LOOK INTO IT. ALL
6 RIGHT. GO AHEAD, I'M SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOU.

7

8 **TANYA HOLLINGSWORTH:** SO BASICALLY I'M HERE BEGGING AND
9 PLEADING THAT A FULL INVESTIGATION BE DONE ON THIS CASE. LIKE
10 I SAY, HIS WIFE WORKS FOR THE DEPARTMENT, AND THEY WERE
11 SWEEPING A LOT OF THINGS UNDER THE RUG. I'VE TOLD THEM THINGS
12 AND NOBODY'S LISTENING TO ME. I'M AFRAID THAT SOMEBODY'S GOING
13 TO DIE BEFORE SOMEBODY LISTENS. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY
14 TODAY. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. COULD WE ALSO HAVE BRIAN CHASE
17 JOIN US, MIKI JACKSON AND BOBBY COOPER? DO WE ALSO HAVE MR.
18 KENSLEA? OKAY, GOOD. MR. PREVIN? YES. PLEASE PROCEED, SIR.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** MISS MOLINA, MR. YAROSLAVSKY AND MISS ORDEN. I WANTED
21 TO QUOTE FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES TODAY A PIECE IN WHICH JUDGE
22 MILAN D. SMITH, JR.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** USE YOUR MICROPHONE.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR, YOU HAVE TO HOLD IT UP TO YOU OR WE
2 CAN'T HEAR YOU.

3

4 **ERIC PREVIN:** I'M GOING TO SIT TODAY.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S FINE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE NEED THE MICROPHONE, THOUGH.

9

10 **ERIC PREVIN:** I AGREE. I THOUGHT WE WERE SO CLOSE POSSIBLY.
11 COULD I GET THE THREE MINUTES BACK BECAUSE THAT ONE DIDN'T
12 LAND AT ALL?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** YES.

15

16 **ERIC PREVIN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MISS MOLINA, I DO WANT TO
17 ADDRESS YOU BECAUSE I DID SPEAK WITH YOUR DEPUTY MARTA.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHE'LL BE ABLE TO HEAR YOU. THERE'S A
20 MICROPHONE IN THE BACK THERE.

21

22 **ERIC PREVIN:** MARTA JIMENEZ AND WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE
23 INCIDENT IN WHICH RUTH PREVIN HAS MADE A CLAIM AGAINST THE
24 COUNTY. AND AS YOU KNOW, ON SEPTEMBER 28TH I DID APPEAR BEFORE
25 ALL OF YOU TO DISCUSS THE DUE PROCESS PROBLEMS WITH THE WAY



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1 THAT EPISODE OCCURRED IN WHICH THE ANIMALS WERE HELD FOR SIX
2 MONTHS WITHOUT A HEARING. ON OCTOBER 15TH, I LEARNED, BECAUSE
3 THE POLICE AND ANIMAL CONTROL SHOWED UP AT RUTH PREVINS'S
4 HOUSE TO IMPOUND THE ANIMALS THAT ON SEPTEMBER 29TH, BELIEVE
5 IT OR NOT, A VARIETY OF CHARACTERS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD WERE
6 ASKED TO MAKE STATEMENTS, WHICH THEY DID AND DECLARATIONS,
7 THAT ARE IN FACT NOT SUPPORTABLE TO IMPOUND THE ANIMALS BUT
8 NONETHELESS THERE SEEMS TO BE AN EFFORT TO DO SO. I WANT TO
9 QUOTE FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES TODAY IN AN UNRELATED MATTER BUT
10 SPEAKS TO THE ISSUE OF PROBABLE CAUSE, BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN
11 SOME SUGGESTION THAT IF THERE IS PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE
12 THAT THE PUBLIC IS UNSAFE. FIRST OF ALL BEFORE I QUOTE THE
13 PAPER. RUTH PREVIN HAS BEEN VOLUNTARILY MUZZLING HER ANIMALS
14 SINCE MAY. AND ON MAY 14TH, THERE WAS AN UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT
15 THAT HAS BEEN DREDGED UP BY COUNTY COUNSEL THAT WAS FULLY
16 EXAMINED BY THE ANIMAL CONTROL AGENCY. AND THOUGH IT WAS A
17 SMALL TRAGEDY IN THAT ANOTHER ANIMAL BROKE THE LAW, CROSSED
18 TWO LANES OF TRAFFIC AND ATTACKED RUTH PREVIN AND HER ANIMALS,
19 THERE WAS A SKIRMISH AND THE ANIMAL WAS INJURED. AND WE
20 CONTRIBUTED TO HAVE THAT REMEDIED, THE ANIMAL IS FINE. THE
21 PROBLEM IS THAT ON OCTOBER 15TH, EARLIER IN THE DAY, PRIOR TO
22 THAT WARRANT BEING SELECTED BY A JUDGE, I WAS TALKING TO RALPH
23 RESADO IN ANDREA ORDEN'S OFFICE AND HE TOLD ME THAT THE POWERS
24 THAT BE IN LOS ANGELES WOULD BE MAKING A DECISION ABOUT OUR
25 REQUEST TO SETTLE THE CLAIM. AND IF IN FACT THEY WERE



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1 REFERRING TO LIEUTENANT ALONZO REAL'S ARRIVAL, THIS IS THE
2 SAME GUY WHO WE MADE THE CLAIM AGAINST, WITH TWO ANIMAL
3 CONTROL TRUCKS AND THE POLICE, THE POLICE, BY THE WAY, STOOD
4 THERE RATHER APPALLED AT WHAT HAD OCCURRED, AND THAT RUTH
5 PREVIN DID NOT GO TO THE PRISON HOUSE. MISS MOLINA, ARE YOU ON
6 THE PHONE? OKAY. I'LL PAUSE BECAUSE I'M SPEAKING TO THE
7 SUPERVISORS. I'M SURPRISED. BUT SHE'S ON THE TELEPHONE. I
8 WOULD LIKE TO HOLD. CAN WE RESET THE CLOCK?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PLEASE CONTINUE.

11

12 **ERIC PREVIN:** OKAY. LIEUTENANT REAL, THE ANIMAL CONTROL
13 OFFICER, DID NOT ASK THESE INDIVIDUALS AFTER I APPEARED ON
14 SEPTEMBER 28TH IF THEY HAD SEEN THE ANIMALS AT LARGE BECAUSE
15 THE ANIMALS HAD NOT BEEN AT LARGE. WE TOLD THEM BY SORT OF
16 SPREADING A RUMOR, THAT THEY WERE SEEN. THERE ARE NO
17 STATEMENTS IN MISS ORDEN'S DOCUMENTS THAT THEY WERE SEEN ANY
18 TIME RECENTLY OFF LEASH AT ALL AND THEY HAD BEEN MUZZLED. THE
19 IDEA THAT THE COUNTY WOULD EXERCISE THIS KIND OF POWER OVER
20 RUTH PREVIN WHO HAS BEEN ATTEMPTING TO SETTLE A CLAIM THAT
21 INVOLVES THE CONSTITUTION IS REALLY SORT OF SURPRISING. I
22 NEVER GOT TO THAT NEW YORK TIMES QUOTE. I'D LIKE TO IF I MAY.
23 IT'S A VERY SHORT.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR, THANK YOU SO MUCH, SIR.



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2 **ERIC PREVIN:** IT'S A CALIFORNIA COURT OF APPEALS ATTORNEY
3 TALKING TO A JUDGE.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. SIR? GOOD MORNING,
6 MY NAME IS GED KENSLEA. I'M A RESIDENT OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD AND
7 I'M AFFILIATED WITH THE A.I.D.S. HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION. I'M
8 SPEAKING TODAY IN RESPONSE TO THE LATEST INCIDENT OF H.I.V. IN
9 THE \$13 BILLION ADULT FILM INDUSTRY BASED LARGELY IN THE
10 COUNTY'S SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. THIS IS THE THIRD SUCH INCIDENCE
11 OF H.I.V. IN THE INDUSTRY SINCE 2004 WITH FOUR INFECTIONS
12 OCCURRING IN 2000, ONE IN JUNE OF 2009 AND THE PRESENT WHICH
13 WE REALLY DON'T FULLY KNOW ABOUT. BUT THERE'S SPECULATION THAT
14 IT INVOLVES A PERFORMER WHO'S WORKED EXTENSIVELY WITH MANY
15 OTHER ACTORS OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS. AS MANY OF YOU
16 KNOW, A.H.F. HAS BEEN AN OUTSPOKEN USE BY CONDOM USE BY
17 PERFORMERS IN ADULT FILMS FOR MANY YEARS. THIS LATEST INCIDENT
18 RAISES A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS, FOREMOST AMONG THEM THE ROLE OF
19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ITS PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE
20 OVERSIGHT OF CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF THIS INDUSTRY. FIRST, THIS
21 INCIDENT UNDERSCORES THE FALLACY OF SELF-REGULATION OF THE
22 INDUSTRY, OF THE A.I.M. TESTING CLINIC. ALSO, THE CLINIC HAS
23 NOT COMPLIED WITH GETTING THE INCIDENT OF H.I.V. REPORTED TO
24 COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS. ANOTHER QUESTION IS ON THE
25 ENFORCEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS, WHAT ARE



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1 THE COUNTY'S PLANS? THIS IS TEN DAYS AND COUNTING WITH REGARD
2 TO THIS H.I.V. INFECTION. AND THE RESPONDING AGENCY HAS NOT
3 COMPLIED. ALSO, TO THE DEGREE THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE
4 JURISDICTION, WE WOULD ASK THAT YOU SUSPEND ISSUANCE OF NEW
5 FILM PRODUCTION PERMITS WHERE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES WOULD BE THE
6 ISSUING BODY. ON THE AGENDA ITEM THIS MORNING, OTHER AGENDA
7 ITEMS, YOU'VE DISCUSSED BOTH PENSION REFORM AND COST
8 CONTAINMENTS. EACH OF THE SIX INDIVIDUAL ADULT PERFORMERS WHO
9 HAVE CONTRACTED H.I.V. NOW FACE ESTIMATED LIFETIME COSTS OF
10 CARE OF OVER \$600,000 APIECE. IT WOULD SEND A POWERFUL MESSAGE
11 IF YOU, THE GOVERNING BODY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WOULD SPEAK
12 OUT ON THIS YOU BY ENCOURAGING THE INDUSTRY TO COMPLY WITH THE
13 LAW, TO DEMAND THAT YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT ENFORCE THE
14 LAW AND COUNTY CODE AS WELL AS CALL FOR A SUSPENSION OF NEW
15 ADULT FILM PERMITS AS THEY WOULD BE ISSUED UNDER COUNTY
16 JURISDICTION. IF ANY OF YOU ARE SENSITIVE TO THE THREATS THAT
17 THE INDUSTRY, THAT THESE MEASURES WILL DESTROY A VIBRANT LOS
18 ANGELES ECONOMY AND FORCE THE INDUSTRY TO LEAVE CALIFORNIA,
19 I'D OFFER TWO POINTS OF REBUTTAL. ONE, FOR MANY YEARS, THE GAY
20 ADULT FILM INDUSTRY HAS HAD APPROXIMATELY 85 PERCENT VOLUNTARY
21 COMPLIANCE WITH CONDOM USE IN THEIR FILM PRODUCTIONS AND THAT
22 INDUSTRY REMAINS A THRIVING, MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR-- OR MULTI-
23 BILLION DOLLARS BUSINESS. AND, SECOND, CALIFORNIA IS THE ONLY
24 STATE IN THE UNION WHERE ADULT FILM PRODUCTION IS NOT
25 CONSIDERED PROSTITUTION. A RULING IN A CALIFORNIA STATE



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1 SUPREME COURT SUPPORTED THIS. SO THE THREAT OF INDUSTRY TO
2 EITHER LEAVE THE STATE OR TAKE THEIR BUSINESS ELSEWHERE RINGS
3 HOLLOW, OR INDICATES THAT THE INDUSTRY WILL CONTINUE TO FULLY
4 TO CALIFORNIA OTHER OTHER STATES LAW AS THE A.I.M. CLINIC HAS
5 DONE BY NOT PROVIDING THE PATIENT DATA TO COUNTY HEALTH
6 OFFICIALS IN A TIMELY MANNER. THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. SIR, MR. CHASE?

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10 **BRIAN CHASE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME'S BRIAN CHASE.
11 I'M ALSO WITH THE A.I.D.S. HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION. IN 2004
12 THERE WAS AN OUTBREAK OF H.I.V. WITHIN THIS COUNTY'S ADULT
13 FILM INDUSTRY. AN ACTOR WAS INFECTED. AND BY BY THE TIME THE
14 ADULT INDUSTRY'S FAILED TESTING SCHEME DETECTED THE INFECTION,
15 THREE YOUNG WOMEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18 AND 23 WERE ALSO
16 INFECTED OF H.I.V. THESE WOMEN WILL HAVE TO TAKE DRUGS TO
17 SUPPRESS THE VIE RUS FOR THEIR ENTIRE LIVES AND THE LIFETIME
18 COSTS OF TREATING THESE WOMEN, AS GED SAID, WILL EXCEED
19 \$600,000 PER PER PERSON. THE PORNOGRAPHY INDUSTRY WILL NOT PAY
20 TO TREAT THE VICTIMS OF ITS UNSAFE PRACTICES. THAT COST WILL
21 MOST CERTAINLY BE BORNE BY THE PUBLIC. NOW AGAIN THERE IS AN
22 OUTBREAK OF H.I.V. WITHIN THIS INDUSTRY. WE HAVE NO IDEA THE
23 EXTENT OF THE OUTBREAK BECAUSE THE ADULT FILM INDUSTRY'S
24 S.T.D. TESTING FACILITY IS STONEWALLING, PROVIDING AS LITTLE
25 INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE, BOTH TO THE PUBLIC AND THE PUBLIC



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1 HEALTH OFFICIALS. WHAT WE DO KNOW IS THAT MULTIPLE ACTRESSES
2 HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO H.I.V. BECAUSE OF THE UNSAFE PRACTICES
3 WITHIN THIS INDUSTRY. THE ADULT FILM INDUSTRY'S CLAIM OF SELF-
4 REGULATION HAS PROVED TO BE A DANGEROUS LIE, PUTTING THE LIVES
5 AND HEALTH OF YOUNG PEOPLE AT RISK. THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
6 PUBLIC HEALTH HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT IT HAS THE AUTHORITY TO
7 FORCE THE ADULT FILM INDUSTRY TO CURB THE SPREAD OF DISEASE BY
8 TAKING PROTECTIVE MEASURES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE
9 USE OF CONDOMS. WE URGE THE SUPERVISORS TO ASK THE COUNTY
10 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO USE WHATEVER AUTHORITY IT HAS
11 TO REGULATE THIS INDUSTRY, TO PROTECT THESE WORKERS AND TO
12 STOP THE SPREAD OF SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES WITHIN A
13 WORKPLACE IN THIS COUNTY. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MIKI?

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17 **MIKI JACKSON:** MIKI JACKSON WITH A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE
18 FOUNDATION. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. THAT WAS A LONG MEETING
19 IN A WAY, WASN'T IT? THE OTHER THING THAT I WANT TO KIND OF
20 PIGGYBACK ON THIS LAW THAT IS A LAW OF THE NATION. IT IS A
21 FEDERAL LAW THAT BARRIERS MUST BE USED WHEN THERE IS DANGER OR
22 ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY OF CONTACT THAT CAN RESULT IN CONTACT WITH
23 BLOOD-BORNE BODILY FLUIDS PATHOGENS, ET CETERA. THAT LAW
24 CANNOT BE MADE LESSER BY ANY STATE OR MUNICIPALITY. THIS IS
25 THE LAW IN ALL 50 STATES. SO I ADD A THIRD POINT TO GED'S



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1 POINT WHICH IS, IF SOMEONE DECIDED TO LEAVE, THE LAW FOLLOWS
2 THEM. SO THEN THEY WOULD NOT ONLY BE OUTLAWS IN TERMS OF
3 MAKING THE PRODUCTION AT ALL, THEY'D STILL GOT TO OBEY THE
4 FEDERAL LAW, UNLESS THEY ARE TREATED WITH FAVORITISM, AS THEY
5 SEEM TO BE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND CITY. AND LAWS ARE NOT
6 ENFORCED AGAINST THEM WHILE THEY ARE ENFORCED AGAINST ALL
7 SORTS OF OTHER PEOPLE. WE'RE NOT FOCUSING ON A PARTICULAR
8 SEGMENT OF THE INDUSTRY. WE'RE FOCUSING ON ACTS THAT ENDANGER
9 AND COULD CAUSE INFECTION AND FALL UNDER THIS LAW. IT DOESN'T
10 MATTER WHETHER IT'S A PRODUCER OF ADULT FILMS OR A FAMOUS
11 PRODUCER LIKE SPIELBERG. IF THEY'RE GOING TO FILM AN ACT THAT
12 COULD CAUSE THIS CONTACT, THEN THAT'S THE PROBLEM. AND THAT'S
13 WHAT NEEDS TO BE SET A MORATORIUM ON. A.I.M. HAS NOT HAD A
14 GOOD HISTORY OF TRACING OR FOLLOWING UP ON THESE THINGS. THESE
15 PERFORMERS, THERE'S STILL LOTS OF FILMING GOING ON. WE DON'T
16 KNOW WHO THEY ARE. WE DON'T KNOW WHO THEY HAD CONTACT WITH.
17 THERE COULD BE INFECTIONS GOING ON RIGHT NOW. WE REALLY DO
18 NEED TO TAKE A BREATH AND GET THIS UNDER CONTROL. I WANT TO
19 SEE THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS ENFORCING THIS AND DOING THE
20 TRACING AND THE PARTNERS. I REALLY THINK YOU ALL WILL DO A
21 MUCH BETTER JOB. YOU KNOW, ANOTHER THING IS WE HAVE NO REAL
22 IDEA OF HOW MANY INFECTIONS THERE ARE IN THE ADULT INDUSTRY.
23 WE HAVE NO IDEA. PEOPLE WHO PERFORM IN THAT INDUSTRY GET
24 TESTED IN ALL SORTS OF VENUES THAT HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH
25 THAT ONE CLINIC. IF THEY DON'T STATE-- AND MANY OF THEM WOULD



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1 INTENTIONALLY NOT DO SO TO AVOID ALL OF THE PUBLICITY AND
2 EVERYTHING THAT COULD OCCUR-- THEY OFTEN GO TO OTHER TESTING
3 SITES, TEST ANONYMOUSLY AND SIMPLY KNOW, "OKAY, I'M NOT GOING
4 BACK IN THE INDUSTRY BECAUSE I CAN'T MAKE IT THROUGH THE
5 A.I.M. FILTER." SO WE HAVE NO IDEA HOW MANY INFECTIONS THERE
6 ARE CONNECTED TO THE ADULT INDUSTRY, POSSIBLY PEOPLE WHO HAVE
7 PERFORMED IN THE ADULT INDUSTRY. AND THAT IS SOMETHING WE NEED
8 TO KEEP IN MIND. IT'S SIMPLY REALITY THAT WE LIVE IN. THANK
9 YOU.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. IF WE COULD HAVE
12 CHANTEL ROLLISON JOIN US, REVEREND PRINCE PRINCE. WALTER
13 BECKTEL. RICHARD ROBINSON. MISS ROLLISON?

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15 **CHANTEL ROLLISON:** HI, MA'AM, HOW ARE YOU DOING?

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** PLEASE PROCEED.

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19 **CHANTEL ROLLISON:** I'M HERE BECAUSE, ONCE AGAIN, THIS IS THE
20 SIXTH YEAR SINCE IT'S BEEN SINCE I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GET MY
21 KIDS BACK HOME. I DON'T CARE IF I DON'T SEE, IF I NEVER SEE
22 WHAT THEY WANT ME TO. I AM SICK OF THEM HUMILIATING ME. THESE
23 PEOPLE, THESE FAMILY MEMBERS, ALL THEY'RE DOING IS TRYING TO
24 SWINDLE MONIES THAT DON'T BELONG TO THEM BY SAYING THAT I HAVE
25 A DISEASE THAT I NEVER HAD, BY PUTTING EMPHASIS ON THE WAY I



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1 LOOK WHEN IT DOES NOT MATTER. I'M STILL A GOOD MOTHER. THIS
2 MAN HAS BEEN DOING THIS HINDRANCE FOR LIKE 20 YEARS. ANYTHING
3 I'VE BEEN DOING, HE'S BEEN BLOCKING IT, INCLUDING STEALING MY
4 IDEAS. I DON'T WANT THEM TAKING MY PRODUCTS. THAT'S WHY I
5 CAN'T AFFORD TO TAKE CARE OF MY CHILDREN. HE'S DOUBLE DEALING
6 BEHIND MY BACK WITH DIFFERENT CELEBRITY PEOPLE THAT I HAVE NOT
7 A CLUE OF HOW MANY THERE ARE. I'VE HEARD ABOUT IT. I'VE HEARD
8 EVERYTHING. AND I'M JUST TIRED OF HIM SLANDERING ME AND USING
9 PUBLIC AGAIN ASSASSINATION AGAINST MY CHARACTER TO DEMEAN ME
10 AS A WOMAN AND AS A GOOD MOTHER. THIS MAN NEEDS TO LET GO. I
11 DON'T CARE IF HE WAS WITH THE QUEEN OF EGYPT. HE NEEDS TO
12 LEAVE ME ALONE. FOR REAL. BECAUSE AT THIS POINT WHEN MY BABIES
13 AIN'T SEEN ME IN TWO YEARS, SOMETHING'S WRONG. I NEVER ASKED
14 HIM TO GO OUT OF HIS WAY TO HELP ME. I THOUGHT WHEN HE WAS
15 GOING TO HELP ME, IT WOULDN'T BE SO SEVERE. AS PART, YOU KNOW,
16 HE'S INTIMIDATING MY KIDS. HE'S INTIMIDATING EVERYONE. HE
17 AIN'T GOT THE RIGHT TO HAVE NOBODY KILLED. HE AIN'T GOT THE
18 RIGHT TO EVEN SAY IT IN FRONT OF MY SEVEN-YEAR-OLD AND MY TEN-
19 YEAR-OLD. HE AIN'T GOT NO RIGHT TO KEEP ARRESTING ME. RONALD
20 IS A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ABUSER. THAT'S WHY MY TOOTH HAS NOT
21 BEEN FIXED. I WILL NOT FIX IT UNTIL HE'S ACCOUNTABLE FOR IT.
22 IT'S JUST NOT FAIR. WHAT IS WRONG WITH OUR SOCIETY TODAY? WHAT
23 IS WRONG WITH AMERICA? ALLOWING THIS MAN TO GET AWAY WITH ALL
24 HE'S DOING. SHOULDN'T NO MONSTER HAVE THIS MUCH CONTROL OVER
25 ANYONE. AND AS A MATTER OF FACT, THEY HAVE K-DAY. THEY'RE



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1 MAKING MONEY OFF OF THAT. THEY HAVE THE RAP TRIVIA GAME WE
2 INVENTED, PAUL AND I THAT WE CAME UP WITH. I DON'T KNOW HOW
3 ALL THESE OTHER PEOPLE STARTED TAGGING ALONG ON THE LETTER. I
4 HAVE NO IDEA WHAT OTHER INVENTIONS AND HOW MANY OF THEM THAT
5 THEY STOLE, BUT THE PUBLIC TELLS ME ALL THE TIME. I'M SICK OF
6 GOING THROUGH TRAFFIC, TRAVELING METRO, HOWEVER I TRAVEL AND
7 PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO GET ME CAUGHT UP BECAUSE OF HIM. EVERYONE
8 WANTS ME TO DIE BECAUSE I'M THE ENEMY THAT EVERYONE SET UP
9 AGAINST ME THAT THEY CLAIM THAT WAS A WITCH OR A KILLER AND
10 I'M NOT. A I'M A GOOD MOTHER. THIS MAN NEEDS TO RELEASE MY
11 CHILDREN AND MY ENTIRE LIFE. IF HE'S GOING TO DEMEAN ME AS A
12 PERSON AND HINDER ME, I DON'T WANT NO PARTS OF IT. I'M TIRED
13 OF IT. TEN, 15, 20 YEARS WHEN I TOLD I WAS ABUSED AS A CHILD,
14 I WAS ALREADY BLACK LABELED BY THE AGE OF 13. I'M VERY UPSET.
15 IT'S VERY SERIOUS. I'M SICK OF HIM WISHING DEATH ON MY LIFE.
16 I'M TIRED OF IT. IT HAS TO END.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MISS CHANTEL?

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20 **CHANTEL ROLLISON:** YES, MA'AM.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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24 **CHANTEL ROLLISON:** IT HAS TO END.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** REVEREND?

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3 **REV. PRINCE:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND THE REST OF THE
4 SUPERVISORS. REVEREND PRINCE FROM MOUNT ZION MISSIONARY
5 BAPTIST CHURCH REPRESENTING N.A.E.J.A., THE NATIONAL
6 ASSOCIATION FOR EQUAL JUSTICE IN AMERICA. I WAS HERE TWO WEEKS
7 AGO WITH MICHAEL RICHARDSON AND I TALKED TO HIM LAST NIGHT AND
8 HE WANTED ME TO SHARE THIS WITH YOU, A LETTER THAT N.A.E.J.A.
9 SENT TO THE F.B.I. DIRECTOR AND IT READS "DEAR ASSISTANT
10 DIRECTOR MARTINEZ, UNDOUBTEDLY YOU HAVE HEARD AT THE VERY
11 LEAST THE LOCAL LOS ANGELES NEWS REPORT OF FINDING THE
12 SKELETAL REMAINS OF PATRICE RICHARDSON. MISS RICHARDSON WAS
13 ARRESTED BY LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AFTER SHE REFUSED
14 TO PAY A RESTAURANT DINNER BILL. ALONG WITH ARRESTING MISS
15 RICHARDSON, DEPUTIES IMPOUNDED HER CAR CONTAINING HER PURSE
16 WITH IDENTIFICATION AND CELL PHONE. DEPUTIES RELEASED MISS
17 RICHARDSON FROM CUSTODY AT THE MALIBU STATION LOCATED IN A
18 REMOTE WOODEN AREA IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AT 1:30 A.M. AFTER
19 MISSING FOR NEARLY 18 MONTHS, MISS RICHARDSON'S REMAINS WERE
20 FOUND WITHIN 1-1/2 MILES FROM THE SUBSTATION. WHEREAS IT HAS
21 NOT BEEN CLASSIFIED SUCH AS THIS ASSOCIATION ALLEGES THAT MISS
22 RICHARDSON'S DEATH IS A HOMICIDE. IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR
23 AGENCY'S HISTORICAL ABILITY TO EFFECT OBJECTIVE AND FULL, NO
24 STONES LEFT UNTURNED INVESTIGATION, THIS ASSOCIATION REQUESTS
25 YOUR OFFICE FORM A TASKFORCE WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY



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1 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. IT IS LIKELY THAT EVEN WITH JUST A
2 CASUAL CRITICAL REVIEW OF THE DETAILS THAT CURRENTLY EXISTS
3 WITHIN YOUR PUBLIC DOMAIN A DETERMINATION OF DEATH AT THE
4 HANDS OF ANOTHER WILL BE INEVITABLY THE FINDINGS. THANK YOU
5 FOR YOUR ADVANCE, FOR YOUR RESOURCES AND YOUR DEDICATED TO
6 THIS MATTER, SINCERELY ROYCE ESTHER, PRESIDENT AND C.E.O."
7 ALONG WITH THAT I'D LIKE TO CONCLUDE THAT I AM ALSO IN SUPPORT
8 OF MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND WHAT HE'S DOING BECAUSE THERE HAS
9 BEEN A BILL IN PLACE BUT IT HAS NOT BEEN EFFECTIVE. I'M A 25-
10 YEAR RETIREE OF THE CARPENTERS' TRADE AND I CAN SPEAK ON
11 BEHALF THAT THERE HAS BEEN A POLICY ON PAPER, BUT IN PRACTICE
12 THEY HAVE NOT BEEN FOLLOWING THE POLICY. SO I'M IN FULL
13 SUPPORT OF THE BILL. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR
14 CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MR. BECKTEL?

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18 **WALTER BECKTEL:** EXCUSE ME. GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS WALTER
19 BECKTEL. I WANTED TO MAKE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS ABOUT SOME
20 CONCERNS THAT PEOPLE HAVE ABOUT THEIR EMPLOYMENT. I NOTICE IN
21 THE CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THERE SEEMS TO BE AN
22 OVER CONCERN ABOUT PEOPLE WHO HAVE A SERIOUS FELONY RECORD AND
23 CRIMINAL RECORD AND WHETHER OR NOT THEY HAVE ANY EMPLOYMENT.
24 THAT'S FINE. BUT WHAT ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE VICTIMS? PEOPLE
25 WHO HAVE BEEN VICTIMS OF CRIMES AND MANY TIMES THE VERY



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1 CRIMINALS WHO HAVE COMMITTED THE CRIMES ARE THE PEOPLE WHO ARE
2 MOANING ABOUT THE FACT THEY DON'T HAVE A JOB? WHEN ARE WE
3 GOING TO GET OUR ATTENTION AND OUR, WHAT WE NEED TO SUBSIDE
4 WITH? I'VE COME IN HERE OFTENTIMES AND EXPLAINED TO YOU ABOUT-
5 - AND I'VE TRIED TO GET SOMEBODY TO BELIEVE IN ME ABOUT MY
6 RELATIONSHIP IN THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY AND HOW THE PEOPLE,
7 THE LITTLE BRATS FROM THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, BEFORE THEY
8 GET THEIR START, THEY GO DOWN THERE ON SKID ROW. THEY RIP US
9 OFF. THEY GET UP ON THE STAGE. THEY COPYRIGHT STOLEN PROPERTY.
10 NOBODY WANTS TO HELP US OUT. WHEN ARE WE GOING TO HAVE
11 ANYTHING DONE FOR US? INSTEAD, WHAT DO YOU DO? INSTEAD OF
12 HELPING ME AND US, YOU KICK US OUT. YOU USE SOME LAW TO BYPASS
13 YOUR OWN RENT STABILIZATION. MY RENT HAS BEEN TRIPLED, NEARLY
14 TRIPLED. I KNOW PEOPLE WHOSE RENT WAS TRIPLED WHEN THEY WERE
15 REMOVED FROM THE FORD HOTEL. AND THAT'S OVER NOW. I PAY OVER
16 HALF OF MY INCOME NOW GOES TO RENT. AND I CAN BARELY SURVIVE.
17 I WAS BARELY GETTING BY AS IT WAS TO BEGIN WITH. AND IT'S ONLY
18 BECAUSE THERE'S SO MUCH ATTENTION TO THESE POOR FELONS THAT
19 HAVE TO GO AROUND. AND I FOUND OUT LATELY, I FOUND OUT THAT
20 MANY OF THE PEOPLE IN THE ENTOURAGES THAT ARE GOING AROUND
21 WITH THESE PEOPLE WHO ARE SINGING AND TOURING ARE THEMSELVES
22 FELONS WHO ARE ON WHAT THEY CALL SOME KIND OF A FURLOUGH
23 PROGRAM, OTHERWISE THEY WOULD BE SITTING TERRIBLY, HORRIBLY IN
24 THE JAIL CELLS LIKE THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE. AND THEY'RE ON
25 THESE TOURS WITH THESE PERFORMERS AND ACTING LIKE THIS IS



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1 SOMETHING THAT THEY HAVE TO DO SOME WORK. HEY, WHAT ABOUT US?
2 WE ARE THE VICTIMS OF THEIR CRIMES. WHY DON'T YOU GIVE US SOME
3 CONSIDERATION INSTEAD OF TREATING US-- ARE WE SUPPOSED TO BE
4 CRIMINALS TO GET SOME ASSISTANCE? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE TRYING
5 TO SAY? WE MADE THE MISTAKE. MY FOUR YEARS OF COLLEGE AT
6 U.C.S.D. MAKES NO DIFFERENCE. INSTEAD QUINCY COUPE, HE GETS
7 THE ASSISTANCE. HE'S AN ADMITTED LIAR. HE DIDN'T GRADUATE FROM
8 ANY GRAMBLING STATE.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. ROBINSON FOLLOWED BY ARNOLD SACHS.

11

12 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** MADAME CHAIRWOMAN, MEMBERS, RICHARD
13 ROBINSON. NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZER. I'M NETWORKING A COMMUNITY
14 OUTREACH PROGRAM IN HOLLYWOOD SIMILAR TO THAT I ESTABLISHED IN
15 SKID ROW. MA'AM, WE READ IN ST. MATTHEW IN THE KING JAMES THAT
16 IN THESE LAST DAYS OF THIS PRESENT SYSTEM OF THINGS THAT THERE
17 WILL BE NO NATURAL AFFECTION BETWEEN PARENT AND CHILD. THE
18 FRONT PAGE OF TODAY'S TIMES IS A TESTAMENT OF THOSE PROPHETIC
19 WORDS. BECAUSE OF THE BREAKDOWN OF TRADITIONAL FAMILY
20 STRUCTURE AND VALUES, CHILDREN ARE BEING VICTIMIZED. THE
21 FAMILY BREAKDOWN IS BECAUSE OF THE GROWING APOSTASY, ATHEISM,
22 ATHEISM CAUSED BY CONFUSION ABOUT THE NATURE OF GOD. ESSENTIAL
23 CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES CURRENTLY DENIED SOMETHING CHILDREN
24 OFTEN BEING BRUTALIZED AND EVEN MURDERED BY THOSE SELECTED BY
25 YOU TO PROTECT THEM IS-- WELL, THESE CHILDREN ARE BEING



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1 BRUTALIZED AND EVEN MURDERED. GOD, TRADITIONAL FAMILY, SCHOOL
2 PRAYER AND THE RETURN TO CHURCH ATTENDANCE. PARDON ME FOR
3 PREACHING TO THE CHOIR, YOU'VE HEARD THIS BEFORE FROM ME, BUT
4 I WAS BORN, BRED, EDUCATED AND RELIGIOUSLY TRAINED TO BE A
5 CHRISTIAN. I CAN NO MORE NOT BE A CHRISTIAN, PARDON ME FOR
6 LAUGHING, BUT I COULD NOT NO MORE BE A CHRISTIAN THAN TRY TO
7 GET THE MOON BY FLAPPING MY ARMS. THANK GOD I WAS BORN INTO A
8 GOD FEARING FAMILY. SO, MY ATTITUDE IS SOMEWHAT CODIFIED. THE
9 PRINCIPLES THAT HAVE MADE THIS THE BEST COUNTRY MUST BE RE-
10 ESTABLISHED: THE BELIEF IN GOD, COUNTRY AND FAMILY. WHEN WE
11 ERASE THE CONFUSION ABOUT THE ESSENTIAL NATURE OF GOD, NUMBERS
12 23:19, WE ELIMINATE THE MYTH AND ARRIVE AT THE MIRACLES.
13 PROVERBS SAYS TRAIN UP A CHILD IN THE WAY IT SHOULD GO. WHEN
14 WE INTERPRET THE BIBLE CORRECTLY, WE SEE JESUS'S RETURN AT THE
15 TURN OF THIS CENTURY. GET READY. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. SACHS?

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, THANK YOU, MISS MOLINA. GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M
20 SORRY, I DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO PUT MY CARD IN ON ITEM 40-C,
21 WHICH WAS YOUR DISCUSSION REGARDING IF CITY OF BELL. AND I WAS
22 JUST WONDERING WHICH HAT YOU WERE WEARING WHEN YOU DECIDED TO
23 COME UP WITH THESE GREAT IDEAS? MAYBE IT WAS YOUR METRO CAP,
24 YOU KNOW, THE ONE YOU USE TO GOVERNANCE THERE. MAYBE IT WAS
25 YOUR DUNCE CAP, I DON'T KNOW. HERE WAS AN INTERESTING ARTICLE



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1 ON SATURDAY THE TENTH: LOAN TO SPEED UP LIGHT SPEED RAIL
2 PROJECT NEAR LAX. CONGRATULATIONS ON THE CRENSHAW LINE.
3 BARBARA BOXER SAYS THESE REVENUES WILL GENERATE FROM THE
4 MEASURE OR ALLOW REVENUES GENERATED FROM THE MEASURE TO BE
5 LEVERAGED MANY TIMES OVER. I WAS ALL IN FAVOR OF THE ARTICLE
6 UNTIL I READ THAT. AND I SAID LEVERAGED? WE'VE HEARD THAT
7 BEFORE WITH THE RED LINE AND THE BLUE LINE, THE SUBWAY GOING
8 FROM SEVENTH AND METRO TO UNION STATION. INSTEAD OF GOING
9 WESTBOUND AS IT WAS SUPPOSED TO OR NOT ONLY THAT BUT THE BLUE
10 LINE BEING COMPLETED ALL THE WAY THROUGH FROM SEVENTH AND
11 METRO TO UNION STATION. THEY BUILT THE RED LINE, INSTEAD. FIVE
12 TIMES MORE EXPENSIVE. MORE GOOD NEWS. LONGEST TUNNEL FINISHED.
13 35.4-MILE RAIL LINE GOING UNDER THE SWISS ALPS. THE GOOD NEWS
14 IS: CONCEIVED IN 1947, AS COMPARED TO THE RED LINE WHICH WAS
15 ONLY CONCEIVED IN THE LATE 70S, SO YOU'RE ONLY 30 YEARS THERE.
16 CLOSE. ONLY 17 MORE YEARS-- 18 MORE YEARS AND YOU'LL TOP THAT.
17 BUT THAT WAS 35.4 MILES. THE RED LINE'S NOT EVEN GOING TO BE
18 15 MILES. EARTH OVER MODERN MARVEL. THEY BUILT THIS BRIDGE
19 OVER THE HOOVER DAM. DID YOU READ ABOUT THAT? \$240 MILLION
20 PROJECT. COMPLETED IN FIVE YEARS. COULDN'T GET THE GREEN LINE
21 BUILT BECAUSE YOU NEED A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. OR YOU NEEDED
22 A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. NOW YOU GET THE CRENSHAW LINE BEING
23 BUILT WITHOUT A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. MUST BE A DIFFERENT
24 ROUTE? NO, NO, NO, NO, IT'S STILL GOING FROM AVIATION TO
25 CENTURY AND CENTURY TO AVIATION. SO WHAT IS THE PROBLEM? AND,



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1 FINALLY, FOR YOUR BENEFIT, MR. ANTONOVICH, MOTION BY
2 SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA. FROM MARCH 25TH, 2010, REGULAR BOARD
3 MEETING OF THE METRO: I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE METRO BOARD
4 DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENTS WITH THE EXPOSITION
5 METRO LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BOARD AND THE PASADENA METRO
6 BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, WHICH WOULD REQUIRE THE TWO
7 AUTHORITIES TO SUBMIT ALL ACTIONS TO THE METRO BOARD FOR
8 RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL. ALL ITEMS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE
9 METRO BOARD AT THE FIRST BOARD MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
10 ACTION BY THE TWO AUTHORITY BOARDS. WELL SO FAR THE BLUE LINE
11 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY HASN'T MET. WHAT TO DO ABOUT THAT?
12 WELCOME TO FANTASY LAND VIA MIKE ANTONOVICH. I'M SURE YOU
13 VOTED FOR THAT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR. SACHS. THAT
16 CONCLUDES OUR PUBLIC COMMENT. I'LL HAVE OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER
17 PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
20 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
21 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. C.S.-1, PUBLIC
22 EMPLOYMENT CONSIDERATION OF FIRMS TO RECRUIT FOR THE POSITION
23 OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE
24 OF EDUCATION, AND ITEM NO. C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
25 NEGOTIATORS WILLIAM T FUJIOKA, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND



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1 DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL
2 AGENDAS. IN ADDITION, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION
3 54957.6, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR WILLIAM T FUJIOKA,
4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND DESIGNATED STAFF, THE BOARD WILL
5 BE DISCUSSING ITEM NO. 2 ON TODAY'S POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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6 No reportable action was taken on items CS-1 or CS-2.

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8 The Board referred item CS-3 to the Chief Executive Officer
9 and Instructed him to report back on the options for modifying
10 the pension system that will be available to the Board during
11 the next negotiation period.

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13 The vote of the Board was unanimous, with Supervisor Molina
14 absent from the meeting.

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3 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
4 hereby certify:

5 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
6 Angeles County Board of Supervisors October 19, 2010,
7 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
8 direction and supervision;

9 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
10 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
11 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
12 me.

13 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
14 related to any party to the said action; nor
15 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
17 25th day of October 2010, for the County records to be used
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19 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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21 JENNIFER A. HINES

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